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DELEGATION JGO PANEL REPORT:

Saipan casino bill constitutional

fter four months of reviewing a controversial Saipan casino legalization bill, a committee of the Saipan and Northern Islands Legislative Delegation submitted yesterday its final report that says the measure is constitutional and has the support of the community.

The Judiciary and Governmental Operations Committee, chaired by Rep. Joe Palacios (R-Saipan), is recommending passage of House Local Bill 17-44 as

Committee Substitute 1.

"In regards to the constitutional ques-

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Fund to sue contractor for defective software

By MONETH G. DEPOSA

The NMI Retirement Fund board of trustees decided yesterday to sue the contractor of its pension software system, which remains on the shelf due to several defects.

The board decided to take legal ac-

tion after Express Electronics Ltd., owned by Gary Sword, failed to provide a plan of how it will fix and complete the long-delayed project.

The board of trustees had given Sword's company a 10-day ultimatum on July 10 to submit a response to the deficiencies identified in the system by

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ACCORDING TO DRAFT REPORT:

Senate panels want Camacho nomination withdrawn

By HAIDEE V. EUGENIO

A joint draft report of two Senate committees wants the full Senate to request Gov. Benigno R. Fitial to withdraw his appointment of former House floor leader and attorney Joseph N. Camacho to serve as Superior Court associate judge, and to



Camacho

wait at least until after the fiscal year 2012 budget is passed.

Fitial's Aug. 10 appointment of Camacho comes at a time when vacant critical positions are not being filled such as those for firefighters and physicians. Most government employees have been subjected to a 16-percent pay cut biweekly and have been getting their paychecks late since last year.

"The CNMI government, currently, is incapable of hiring physicians necessary to treat emergency patients. It is discouraging to overlook critical positions at public safety, Fire Division, and Public Health and hire a judge of the Superior Court costing the CNMI government approximately \$308,000 annually," the two committees said in their draft report.

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ON VACATION

Against a backdrop of overcast skies and threat of rain, Thomas Deleon Guerrero, 23, spends his vacation net fishing in the Saipan lagoon yesterday afternoon, along with his nephew. Deleon Guerrero, who is studying in San Diego, California, is just one of the many CNMI students currently back home for summer vacation.

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Senate to OPA: Delve deeper into the ARRA contract award

» Kilili: Same standards should be applied to AG

By HAIDEE V. EUGENIO haidee_eugenio@saipantribune.com

The Senate wants the Office of the Public Auditor to further investigate the almost \$400,000 sole-source contract award for an ARRA management contract, saying that the U.S. Interior's Inspector General report is not definitive in its conclusion.

At the same time, Delegate Gregorio Kilili Sablan said he respects the Senate's decision to request the CNMI Bar Association to investigate Attorney General Edward Buckingham for alleged ethical violations in the ARRA contract award.

Sablan said he watched in awe as

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Chamber: Bill amending OGA is 'unnecessary'

By HAIDEE V. EUGENIO

The Saipan Chamber of Commerce said Wednesday that a bill amending the Open Government Act is "unnecessary" and "may have unintended consequences" as proposed and drafted.

"SCC further believes the Open Government Act addresses legitimate concerns as now written, and provides for avenues of address through the court system as inherent and within the Act itself," said Chamber president Douglas Brennan in a letter to Rep. Rafael Demapan (Cov-Saipan).

Demapan is chairman of the Judiciary and Governmental Operations Committee reviewing the bill. He is also the bill's author.

Among other things, the bill seeks to reduce the posting requirement of meeting notices from 72 hours to 24 hours.

Brennan said the Chamber believes this amendment is counterproductive to reasonable notice requirements as currently stated in the Open Government Act, and would actually provide less public disclosure.

Demapan's bill seeks to further define "public record," but the Chamber finds the existing definition "sufficient."

HB 17-67 also attempts to impose additional copying charges for the purposes of supplying response to requests for public information under the OGA, but provides opportunity to actually withhold information requested under the Act.

The Chamber, the largest business organization in the CNMI with some 150 members, said the bill provides another layer of burden upon the public by holding hostage the material requested, then turns around and offers the courts as a means to overcome the very burden it places before the public.

"Holding those seeking pub-

lic information under the Act

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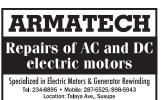
are prohibitive to the purpose of the Act, and are against the in-

tent of the Act itself," the Cham-

ber said.

"The Open Government Act already has the court system as recourse to unreasonable demands, and SCC believes the burden should be upon government, not the public, when serving purposes for which the Open Government Act was created." Brennan added.













Lack of specialized services hampers DPS capability to identify remains

Because of its lack of specialized services, Department of Public Safety investigators are finding it difficult to complete

their investigation into the identity of the human bones found in Kagman III.

Press secretary Angel Dema-

Young accomplice in armed robbery gets 3-year sentence

By FERDIE DE LA TORRE REPORTER

A 21-year-old man who participated in an armed poker robbery just two months after arriving on Saipan has been sentenced to three years in prison.

Superior Court associate judge David A. Wiseman on Wednesday sentenced Alston H. Santos to four years in prison, all suspended except for three years, for conspiring to commit robbery. Santos was also sentenced to six months for disturbing the peace.

Both sentences are to run concurrently; he was also given credit for time served. Santos' release date is March 16, 2015. He pleaded guilty to both charges as part of a plea deal.

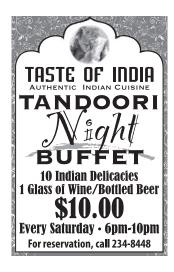
Wiseman said that Santos' relatively lenient sentence is due in part to his being a nonviolent offender.

The plea agreement stated that on Aug. 30, 2010, Santos and Terrence Fitial conspired to rob S.V. Poker. In that incident. Terrence Fitial assaulted the security guard with a knife. Santos was armed with a Japanese sword. The guard sustained deep cuts on the left thumb and left forearm, but he managed to disarm Terrence Fitial during the struggle.

On Aug. 28, 2010, Calvin Fitial robbed a store, during which Santos helped carry away a couple of bottles of alcohol.

Wiseman said that Santos has no criminal history either as a juvenile or adult.





"This was his first crime which he was allegedly dragged into by two uncles who were the main culprits and are now doing extended prison terms," said Wiseman, referring to Calvin

Fitial and Terrence Fitial who

are now serving six years and

10 years, respectively. The judge said that Santos' participation in these crimes were minimal and that he has shown remorse and accepted responsibility for his actions.

Defense counsel Joseph Horey had recommended a sentence of one year in prison; assistant attorney general Russell Lorfing had recommended five years.

The judge found the Office of Adult Probation's recommendation of three years in prison to be the appropriate sentence.

Lorfing said that Santos grew up in Palau and had only been on Saipan for two months when he joined co-defendants in the two armed robbery incidents.

Horrey said his client, Santos, was led into crime by relatives, Terrence and Calvin Fitial, both troublemakers of long standing.

pan said it is difficult to project a timeline to complete the investigation, given the need to obtain specialized services that are not readily available on island.

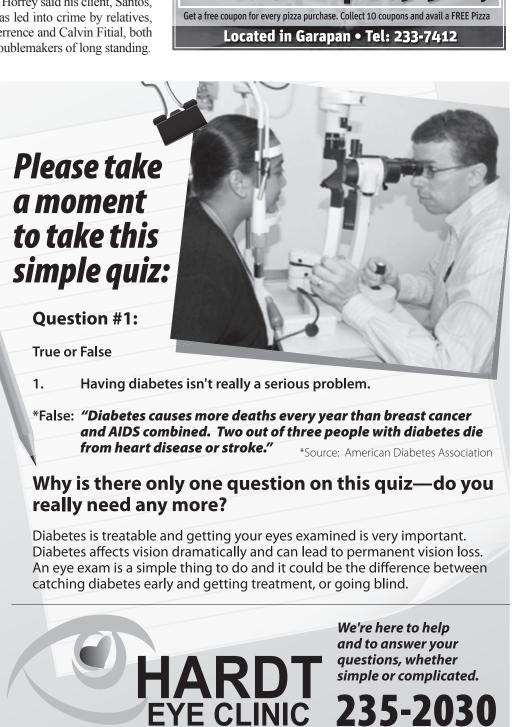
Demapan said these may include the services of a medical examiner, forensic pathologists, and even possibly DNA lab testing.

"Nonetheless, local and federal law enforcement authorities are doing everything within their means to seek closure to this case," he said. "Pending the results of the ongoing investigation, DPS does not have any comments at this time."

A set of human bones was discovered after a dog dragged a leg bone to a house on Sunday morning. The house owner reported the matter to police. Neighbors later found more human bones

scattered by dogs in the vicinity. Investigators later determined that the bones belong to an old man. Family members strongly believe that the remains belong to 72-year-old Ricardo Muna Quitugua, who lived in a shack in the area. (Ferdie de la Torre)





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ALAI wraps up summer camp for English language learners

By CLARISSA V. DAVID clarissa_david@saipantribune.com REPORTER

Advanced Language & Academic Institute, a tutorial resource center on Saipan, will wrap up today its first ever English summer camp for second language learners.

Nina Rivera, ALAI program coordinator, said that the four-week camp, attended mostly by Korean students, will conclude with golf and go-kart activities at Mariana Resort & Spa.

Rivera said the students' parents sign up their children for the camp through the recommendations of other parents who have previously

The camp, which began on July 19, allowed its 35 participants—fourth to eighth graders grouped according to their level of English proficiency—to learn about English grammar, phonics, vocabulary, reading, and writing in a more enjoyable setting.

"We kind of put the whole study time into it but also made the classes more fun and in an easier and more relaxed atmosphere," Rivera told Saipan Tribune.

While there were intensive classroom lessons in the morning, Rivera said they used entertaining educational activities in the afternoon to ensure enhanced

learning. These activities, spearheaded by ALAI's 15 teaching staff, included a visit to the American Memorial Park World War II Museum; movie screening of Capt. America; a visit to the police, fire and correctional facilities; hiking to Bird Island and Forbidden Island; and a trip to Mañagaha where the group held its sendoff party for participants who went back to Korea.

Campers also played board games such as Scrabble and Boggle and did other games such as Wheel of Fortune, Jeopardy, and Family Feud using words or lessons from their morning classes.

"They were having fun without knowing that they were still really

At the beginning of the camp, Rivera said the students were given an Idea Proficiency Test, which assessed their English skills on reading, writing, and speaking. Individual profiles were also made for each student.

"After four weeks in the camp, we did the test again, so we were actually able to scale their improvement," she

Rewarding

Rivera noted that over 80 percent of students improved and moved to a level higher than when they first started.

ALAI teacher Terra Allen said the students were able to communicate in English more efficiently as shown by improved listening comprehension and ability to form complete sentences.

"Their level of language has definitely increased. I think they're a lot more comfortable speaking it all the time," she said.

Allen, who teaches Reading, Phonics, Grammar, and Writing, said observing the students and how they progressed during the camp was very rewarding. "Watching them move to a level of being able to communicate with me, it was amazing."

Conversations Class instructor Ra-

chel Morris said her focus was to make her students confident in using the language. "I think that if they're not confident in speaking English, then they'll have it in their head but they won't be able to get it out and speak it. If you could build confidence, then they would try and help them to become better in English," she said.

According to Morris, the students achieved confidence through various games and activities they employed. Tons of encouragement helped too.

"When they started coming out of their shell, it just felt really good because you were helping them become more confident. I think they feel better about themselves, too. They accomplished something through camp and they got better," she added.

Twelve-year-old Kevin Ham from Seoul couldn't help but agree. "I learned a lot. I am now more confident to speak English. I want to come back with friends and learn English together."

Tommy Kim, 14, said the games and activities helped them learn how to use the language. His favorite was the trip to Saipan World Resort's Wave Jungle water park where the water was "very deep." "Thank you for teaching us English," added Kim.

CAMACHO

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Camacho's appointment needs the advice and consent of the Senate.

The Senate Committee on Executive Appointments and Government Investigations, chaired by Sen. Frank Cruz (R-Tinian), and the Senate Committee on Fiscal Affairs, chaired by Sen. Jovita Taimanao (Ind-Rota), said that attempts to reduce government spending were in line with efforts planned long before Camacho's appointment.

They said concerns about the CNMI and the Judiciary's finances predate, and have nothing to do with, Camacho's qualifications for the position.

Their recommendation, they said, has "everything to do with reining in the spending of the CNMI government."

"Putting a 'temporary' hold on the vacancy of a judge of the Commonwealth Superior Court is not unconstitutional. Holding off on the nomination, however, will save the CNMI government over \$300,000," the committees said in their draft report.

Each CNMI associate judge earns a base yearly salary of \$120,000. But including benefits, law clerk, secretary,

and other miscellaneous expenses, the total estimated cost to CNMI taxpayers of a judge is \$308,000.

The draft report says that amount could be used elsewhere in the Judiciary, including funding the constitutionally mandated appointment of attorneys for indigent defendants in criminal, traffic, and juvenile cases.

Press secretary Angel Demapan said yesterday the Fitial administration "will comment when the report is no longer a 'draft', when it has been transmitted to and reviewed by the governor."

Fitial is currently in San Diego, California and is expected to be back on Aug. 22.

The two committees, in their draft recommendation to the full Senate, pointed out that they do not reject nor disapprove Camacho's appointment, having yet to examine his qualifications.

However, they said this is an opportune time to attempt to reduce government expenditures, given that the Superior Court has seen a drastic drop in cases filed and requiring decision from 15,589 in 2000 to only 4,503 in

Cruz and Senate Vice President Jude Hofschneider (R-Tinian) declined to comment on the draft report yesterday, saying the contents could still change before they submit it to Senate President Paul Manglona (Ind-Rota).

Senators were initially poised to finalize the committee report before Wednesday's session, but members needed more time to fine tune their recommendation to the full Senate.

The draft report also says that, based on statistics from the National Center for State Courts, the CNMI Judiciary receives salaries at, or in some cases above, the national average.

It also says it appears that any temporary hold on the vacancy of a Superior Court associate judge will not unduly reduce services to the community.

Fitial officially transmitted to the Senate last week his letter appointing Camacho as associate judge in the Superior Court, filling in the vacancy left by Ramona V. Manglona, now the chief judge of the U.S. District Court for the NMI.

Camacho's appointment also came days after the Senate passed an initiative reducing the number of associate judges from at least four to three, citing the CNMI government's declining finances and the fewer number of cases filed in court.

The CNMI Constitution requires one presiding judge and at least four associate judges.

CASINO

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tion of HLB 17-44, the Committee finds that HLB 17-44 does not conflict with the CNMI Constitution or applicable law," says the report, a copy of which was obtained late yesterday afternoon.

The Senate, citing legal opinion, maintains that the Saipan casino bill is unconstitutional and will take the matter to court if it passes.

The JGO Committee, along with the Ways and Means Committee, said there's "definite desire" by the community to allow casino gambling, based on six public hearings held on the bill.

...The committee has found that the prevailing feelings of the public revealed a definite desire by the business, government, and private sectors to give casino gambling a chance to flourish in the Third Senatorial District," the committee said

Rep. Stanley Torres (Ind-Saipan), author of the bill, said HLB 17-44 may be up for voting in the next delegation session.

"We have enough number [of votes] to move the bill and make it happen," Torres told Saipan Tribune.

Delegation chair Rep. Ray Tebuteb (R-Saipan) tasked both Palacios' JGO Committee and the Ways and Means Committee chaired by Rep. Ray Yumul (R-Saipan) to review the bill and come up with recommendations.

As of yesterday, only Palacios' committee has come up with a report.

tee does not come up with a report, his bill could pass as early as next week.

Of the nine members of the delegation's JGO Committee, two didn't sign off on the report: Yumul and Rep. Tony Sablan (R-Saipan).

Yumul, in a separate interview last night, said he didn't sign off on the bill because he's "not satisfied with the report's research and conclusion on the

"I find it very difficult to support it

[report]," he said.

Yumul said his Ways and Means Committee will come up with a separate report that he said will focus on the financial impact of the bill.

'We're having problems with the Tinian Casino Gaming Control Commission because they do not want to share data with us that will help the committee come up with a financial impact report. They didn't want to disclose how much was generated by the casino in the last three years," said Yumul.

Instead of responding to inquiries about finances, he said that Tinian's casino commission came back with a message that the bill is unconstitutional.

Analysis

Article 21 of the CNMI Constitution states that "gambling is prohibited in the Northern Mariana Islands except as provided by Commonwealth law or established through an initiative in the Commonwealth or in any Senatorial District."

Palacios' committee said the issue here is whether HLB 17-44 is "Commonwealth law."

"In short, the committee finds that the answer to this query based on the points listed below is 'yes," the committee said.

In making this point, the committee cited the "Analysis of the Constitution of the CNMI, page 119," "Island Amusement, CV 94-166 (Decision and Order, Dec. 15, 1994), and the legal opinion of the House counsels.

The committee cited the House legal counsel's opinion that the "Commonwealth-wide law" that is supposedly necessary, does in fact exist in the form of Public Law 3-77, which is the Local Law Act of 1983.

It said this law is clearly applicable to the entire CNMI and is based in the CNMI Constitution's Article 2, section 6 that allows for each senatorial district to legislate on local matters that do not affect the other districts.

"It is clearly Commonwealth law," the committee said.

SENATE

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Buckingham was being interviewed on KSPN News last night about the Office of the Attorney General's efforts in prosecuting those who will be found tampering with Commonwealth Utilities Corp. systems.

"If you steal from CUC, it's a violation of the law and you will be prosecuted. If you approve a contract that's in violation of the law, it's appropriate...The same standard applied to ordinary citizens should be applied to the AG himself," said Sablan, referring to the IG report's findings on the contract

The Fitial administration has been saying that the IG report did not say that ethics and procurement laws and rules were violated when it awarded an ARRA management contract to former Commerce secretary Michael Ada's Integrated Professional Solutions, but only said "may have violated."

Sen. Frank Cruz (R-Tinian), chair-

man of the Senate Committee on Executive Appointments and Government Investigations, said it's OPA's job to "investigate" and "audit" questionable contract awards, even if the alleged erring party is the attorney general.

"Like we said before, the attorney general is the highest law enforcement officer so he has to uphold all laws...People are losing faith and trust in the attorney general. If the Senate ignores this case, the people will also lose trust in the Senate," Cruz said yesterday.

FUND

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R&R Associates. Fund deputy administrator Esther Ada said yesterday that the 10-day ultimatum expired on July 17 with no response from Sword despite several follow-ups.

She reported that Sword had indicated that he wants to fix the problems but he emailed the Fund last week that he was off-island and that the report, which detailed the deficiencies of the software, had already been turned over to the company's programmer in India. Ada said that Sword will be back on island on Aug. 21.

The pension software system project has been on the table in the last several the software system, the agency hired a program analyst-R&R Associatesto evaluate the entire project and seek recommendation if there's a need to keep the project or scrap it entirely to prevent additional expenses.

Ada said the result of the evaluation was presented and discussed with Sword, who was given the 10-day ultimatum to come up with his plans to rectify the problem.

Board member Francisco Rosario expressed frustration with the issue and urged the board yesterday to come up with a final decision "once and for all."

After many years of waiting, the Fund is getting the "same old thing" about the project during its meetings, he said. "We need to move on and

months. Because of the deficiencies of make the decision as soon as possible,"

The board went into a short executive session prior to announcing its decision and advising its counsel, Viola Alepuyo, to initiate the filing of the suit.

The pension software project cost \$449,000 and was signed in 2008. The Fund has already paid Sword's company \$402,340 for the project, which represent 89.4 percent of overall project cost. Based on the terms and conditions of the \$449,000 contract, the product was supposed to be completed

In a single audit performed for the Fund in 2009, the pension software system was among the serious findings noted by auditors. Violations of the contract were noted in both parties.

he urged his colleagues.

Torres said even if Yumul's commit-

legality of the bill."

Fitial said to assure Fund he will veto derivative act bill

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Gov. Benigno R. Fitial has assured the NMI Retirement Fund that he will veto the beneficiary derivative bill that was passed by the Legislature last week and is now sitting on his table.

Fund board chair Sixto Igisomar disclosed this during yesterday's Fund board meeting, saying he met Fitial before the governor left for a trip to Alaska and he reiterated the Fund's opposition to the measure.

"He [Fitial] assured the Fund that he will not approve it," Igisomar told his colleagues.

Senate Bill 17-43, or the Beneficiary Derivative Act, seeks to allow retirees to take legal action on behalf of trusts or the Fund when the trustees who manage them refuse to bring such actions. The measure passed the Legislature and was transmitted to the governor on Aug. 16. By law,

the governor has 45 days—or until Sept. 24—to act on the bill. If he vetoes it, the Legislature has 60 days—or until Nov. 24—to override the veto.

During a lengthy discussion on the issue, Fund trustees expressed disappointment with the action of legislators.

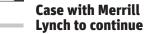
Adelina Roberto said she was shocked to learn that the Legislature had passed the bill. "I was shocked. Proponents of the Fitial bill are the very same

people who said that they're not going to approve it," she told the board, adding that the main proponent of the bill, Sen. Pete Reyes (R-Saipan), informed her that it was the desire of CNMI retirees.

Fund administrator Richard Villagomez pointed out, though, that the Commonwealth Retirees Association headed by Juan Sablan represents only a small portion of the retiring population in the Commonwealth.

It was learned yesterday that prior to the bill's passage, law-

> makers had told Fund members that the passage of the measure will depend on the decision of trustees whether or not to sue its former investment consultant, Merrill Lynch.



Igisomar denied that the Fund was forced to sue Merrill Lynch because of a "compromise deal" with the Legislature not to pass the derivative measure.

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"We already filed the case. We haven't settled it and it's in litigation and I cannot provide any more comment. But what I can say now, we filed the lawsuit with merits and we have reason to," he told Saipan Tribune during a break in their meeting.

The Fund had earlier refused to join the lawsuit against Merrill Lynch pending the completion of the fiduciary audit it commissioned.

"We never said that we will never sue Merrill Lynch. We said [in the past] that it's our decision to make and we're not ready to file then. Now, we're ready," said Igisomar.

He said a series of public hearing on the derivative measure should have been held prior to any decision by

"Such a decision with such magnitude should be discussed openly for a proper decision making," he said. "Respectfully, I know legislators have a lot to handle. I know their role and that is do what they feel is best. They voted and they passed it. On our end, we still respectfully disagree with it."

Contract processing

Viola Alepuyo, the fund's legal counsel, reported yesterday that investment consultant Wilshire Associates has reiterated its opposition to the bill and expressed its desire to reconsider its contract with the Fund. The Fund hired Wilshire uncomfortable working with only in October 2010, replacing Merrill Lynch.

Alepuyo said the bill is hin-

dering the processing of the contracts of 10 money managers it recently hired. These contractors have described the bill as "anti-business" and, if passed into law, would be the only one in existence throughout the U.S.

According to Alepuyo, Wilshire's legal counsel is now reviewing the bill and will soon provide its formal position to the Fund, which the trustees agreed to share with the Executive Branch.

"They advised the Fund that if this passed into law, they will reconsider their relationship with the Fund. They expressed concern that they are a client who changes the rule in the middle of the game," added Alepuyo.

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Rota suffers from power fluctuations, water shortages

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You think you have it bad on Saipan? On Rota, power fluctuations have been occurring due to broken insulator pins that need to be replaced. Engine alternators that have been damaged by moisture have also been causing unscheduled power interruptions. Water shortages were experienced by some customers for days due

to a drained reservoir and damaged pipes.

Charles Manglona, the Commonwealth Utilities Corp. deputy director on Rota, said yesterday that unexpected power failures have been noted on the island since Aug. 1, particularly in feeder 2 areas that include Songsong Village. The power outages usually last two to three hours.

A Sinapalo resident, Barrie Toves, earlier told *Saipan Tri*-

bune that besides the two- to three-hour outages noted in the early week of the month, his village also experienced almost a whole day of power outage that damaged their appliances.

Manglona said the lengthy power failure in Sinapalo was caused by broken insulator pins that needed to be replaced immediately. He said CUC has managed to temporarily rectify the problem by replacing eight insulator pins, but more needs to be replaced to prevent fluctuations.

Manglona said the damaged insulators are over 20 years old and must be replaced within 90 days. He said that CUC, with the assistance of the CIP Office, will buy more insulator pins for Rota.

"We cannot issue advance notice or information to our customers in situations like these because these are unexpected and unscheduled," he explained.

He also denied receiving any complaints or calls about the power fluctuations. He encouraged residents to inform CUC of their concerns by calling his office or the power plant.

Sinapalo waterless for days

Manglona said that many of their customers in Sinapalo also experienced a water shortage for days as a result of a drained reservoir and damaged main water lines. He said that CUC tapped the water supply at its three wells to fill the drained reservoir. As of Wednesday night, he said 100 percent of customers in the affected areas had water

Residents complained of a water shortage on Tuesday morning because of the drained supply at the Ginalang



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House worker allegedly stole three checks and forged them

Police arrested on Tuesday a house worker who allegedly stole and forged three personal checks totaling \$515 belonging to the daughter of her then employer.

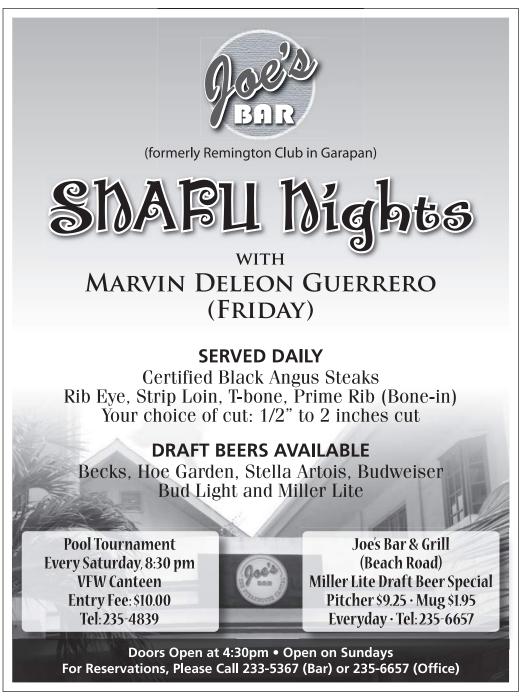
Carmencita L. Castillo, 50, was arrested in Garapan for theft and forgery. She was allowed Wednesday to post a \$500 unsecured bond.

Police said that Castillo admitted taking the checks from her then employer's dresser, then forging and using the checks at a store.

Amanda Deleon Guerrero Tudela and her mother reported the incident to police on April 25, 2011. In her statement to the police, the mother said she was at her workplace on April 21 when an employee of Ming Yang Store in San Vicente approached her to collect money from invalid or insufficient checks that belonged to her daughter, Tudela.

Tudela then discovered that the accounts from which the checks were made out to had been closed for many years. Tudela claimed she no longer uses those personal checks because she uses her check card.

When the mother confronted Castillo about the forged checks, Castillo allegedly admitted to stealing and forging the checks because she needed the money. Castillo was immediately terminated. (Ferdie de la Torre)





















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JKPL eyes 'green' energy through solar panels

By CLARISSA V. DAVID REPORTER

The Joeten-Kiyu Public Library wants to "go green" by installing solar panels on its roof, which is due for repair and replacement.

In a letter to Energy Division director Thelma B. Inos, JKPL executive director John Oliver Gonzales requested for direct funding and technical assistance for the installation of these solar panels.

"We absolutely believe that the solar panels will sustainably augment our energy conservation efforts and tremendously reduce the exorbitant cost of utilities we now pay,"

this month.

The CNMI's state library was recently awarded a \$200,000 grant by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development to fund the repair and replacement of its roof, which has survived years of environmental impact since it was built in December 1991.

Gonzales, in an interview, said that JKPL wants to tap other funding sources that would allow them to install solar panels on their roofing to help lower their utility cost.

"We're optimizing and leveraging," he told Saipan Tribune. "It's vital in this time of crisis to be innovative, creative, and think outside the box. These embrace and implement."

Gonzales said eyeing these funding sources means taking a "pro-active and aggressive" approach to better serve library patrons by enhancing their facilities and services.

"We're challenged to make our products more relevant and effective so we want to make sure we go through all possible channels," he added.

According to Gonzales, he already received a call from the Energy Division informing them that they will accommodate the request through the CNMI State Energy Grant Program, which "takes care of identified government facilities that want solar panels."

expires by June 2012.

Gonzales yesterday disclosed that he met with Inos a few days ago and reinforced the Energy Division's "commitment" to assist the JKPL in its efforts to use alternative energy at its facility.

Inos noted, however, that the Energy Division will have to accommodate government agencies that made requests before JKPL.

"I told director Inos that the library is a very critical public service oriented facility and we would really appreciate it if they can assist us through the grant. We're just glad that we have the Energy Division's commitment on this," said Gonzales.



Aug. 19, 1999

Babauta seeks alternative ways to reimburse CNMI

CNMI's Resident Representative to Washington Juan N. Babauta yesterday said he has asked the U.S. Congress to immediately reimburse the Northern Marianas of some \$600,000 for expenses it incurred in hosting more than 500 illegal Chinese immigrants on the island-municipality of Tinian. Since it will take Congress some time to appropriate the amount, Babauta asked if it was possible to pay back the CNMI in other way because the island government does not have enough resources to spend in taking care of more illegal aliens. Nearly two months after the last batch of undocumented Chinese were sent home, a boat carrying 151 illegal Chinese immigrants arrived on Tinian last Monday morning.

Gov't projects \$1.2 million deficit in scholarship funds

Several government scholars may not be receiving financial aid during this schoolyear as the Tenorio administration projected at least \$1.2 million deficit in its scholarship funds in light of the continuous economic difficulties besetting the island. To deal with the serious problem, lawmakers are looking at a financing scheme that would allow the government to guarantee bank loans to pay for the college education of its scholars. The study-now-pay-later plan was one of the recommendations discussed during a meeting yesterday between the House Committee on Health, Education and Welfare and finance officials as well as the scholarship office.

Aug. 19, 2002

House clarifies civil service exemptions

The bill that seeks to correct the mistakes created under Public Law 13-1 finally saw action on the legislative floor, with the House of Representatives passing the measure on a unanimous vote during Friday's session. House Bill 13-126 now goes to the Senate for similar action. The bill essentially restores the Office of Personnel Management under the Civil Service Commission, while providing Civil Service exemptions to certain positions within the Office of the Governor. The exemptions include confidential secretaries, advisors, lawyers, personal assistants, special assistants, clerks, and administrative personnel and support staff. Such exemptions would also apply to certain positions within the Lt. Governor's office.

House reprograms \$460K for Rota

Over \$460,000 of government funds may be reprogrammed to the typhoon Chata'an Emergency Fund to assist the rehabilitation of Rota. This, if House Bill 13-167 sails through the Senate and eventually gets the signature of Gov. Juan N. Babauta to become law. The House of Representatives has already passed the measure. It seeks to provide Rota mayor Benjamin T. Manglona the expenditure authority over the funds. The measure arose in the wake of Typhoon Chata'an, which passed through the CNMI region, causing extensive damage to the infrastructure, residences, agricultural plots and tourism industry on the island of Rota.

Aug. 19, 2003

Adriano asks Babauta to call for special election on Rota

Acting Senate president Joaquin G. Adriano has asked Gov. Juan N. Babauta to call for a special election on Rota in a notice of vacancy that becomes effective August 28—the date when convicted senator Ricardo S. Atalig is to begin serving his five-year sentence for wire fraud. In a letter dated August 14 officially declaring a vacancy at the upper chamber, Adriano asked the governor to have the special polls held on October 4, the same date that another special elections is going to be held on Tinian to find the replacement for Sen. Jose Dela Cruz. Atalig and Dela Cruz were convicted on wire fraud charges after colluding to provide fictitious jobs to their relatives.

Drive vs illegal drugs beefed up

The intensified drive against illegal drugs yielded another positive result with the confiscation of seven marijuana plants inside the bedroom of a San Jose house Sunday afternoon. A resident reportedly called for police assistance when she discovered seven marijuana plants inside the bedroom of her nephew, Jack T. Dowai, 23, who was consequently arrested for possession of a controlled substance. Department of Public Safety spokesperson PO2 Jason Tarkong said initial investigation disclosed that the DPS received a call for assistance around 1pm Saturday, informing them of the marijuana plants that were in different containers inside her house.



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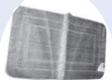


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Can Obama rediscover his voice

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resident Barack Obama has sought to "reset" relations with Russia, with the Muslim world, with big business.

What the president needs to do now is reset his relationship with the American people.

Our economy is in deep trouble. The lack of confidence, reflected in polls and the stock market, starts from the very top.

Obama is not doing what it takes to restore belief in America's future. He has been too timid, too defensive. He needs to get tougher and fight for the middle class he talks about all the time.

It's good that we have a president who carefully weighs decisions and doesn't fly off the handle. But sometimes he's too calm, cool and collected for his own good. Americans don't require more professorial lectures right now; they need to see someone who gets how bad things are—and is angry about it.

In short, he has to recapture the passion of candidate Obama—the one who won such fervent support with his soaring oratory and his vision of a better America. There have been sparks of that passion and vision in some of his speeches on the economy, including an unusually fiery one Thursday at a hybrid car battery plant in Michigan. But not enough, and not in a sustained, convincing way.

His three-day economic bus tour in Minnesota, Iowa and Illinois starting Monday is the perfect platform for Obama to pivot his presidency.

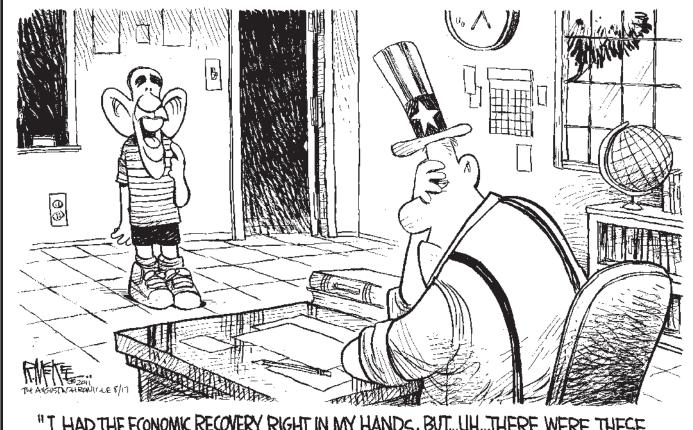
He should clearly lay out a big jobs plan, one much more substantial than the payroll tax cut, unemployment benefits extension and infrastructure project bank that he has long advocated. He must make a stronger case that some higher spending and shared sacrifice now—yes, including higher taxes on the wealthy and corporations—is necessary for longer-term economic growth.

He needs to convince Americans that it's not just about reducing the unemployment rate or shoring up the stock market. It's about reversing the widening gap between rich and poor, making the country more competitive in the fast-changing global economy and laying the foundation for prosperity that lifts everyone. At stake is what kind of America we want.

He has to listen to everyday Americans, rally them to his side and get them to pressure their representatives in Washington. And once the bus trip is over, he needs to continue to speak directly to the American people, call out Congress and go around lawmakers when necessary.

More importantly it would be good for the country. We need Washington to do everything in its power to help turn this economy around. We need to know that we have someone in the White House who truly understands the hardships many Americans are enduring, and who won't rest in trying to aid them.

Obama can still be that leader, but time is running out.



"I HAD THE ECONOMIC RECOVERY RIGHT IN MY HANDS, BUT...UH...THERE WERE THESE UPRISINGS IN THE ARAB WORLD!...YEAH, AND THEN THIS HUGE JAPANESE TSUNAMI HIT! ...AND...AND...THEN THERE WAS THIS NASTY EUROPEAN DEBT CRISIS, SEE?...AND..."

Dog days of Dallas

allas is hot. The TV series *Dallas* is about to be remade with Larry Hagman of the 'Who killed J.R. Ewing' fame reprising an elder Ewing role with more than just cameo walk-ins for Patrick Duffy and Linda Gray as well.

We are, however, referring to the heat wave that is bedeviling the U.S. Midwest and the southwest. In June, the thermometer registered a 100F benchmark; it is averaging 105 F ever since. Not only are the afternoons hot and humid, the nights sometimes hit low '70s, which is quite taxing on the respiratory system.

(The canine reference on the title is the ancient calendar designation of the period when *Serius* the brightest dog star in the *Canis Major* constellation was closest to the sun, which earned the two months of July and August in the southern hemisphere as *diēs caniculārēs*, dog days of summer.)

"Dog days" has traditionally meant slow and often boring hot days. Not in the current usage. There is a wide gyration of stock prices since S&P downgraded Uncle Sam's credit rating, with all the political finger pointing reminiscent of *Time* magazine's "who lost China" question post-WWII. There is a noticeable turn of Amerika into a full blown confrontational society.

We recall an anecdote in the last days of Mikhael Gorbachev's waning days of the Soviet Union when he was heckled after a public speech. Smiling, he stopped before one of the hecklers and said: "Just remember that I was the one that guaranteed your right to heckle without fear of being punished for it."

With freedom of speech deeply entrenched in the American constitutional psyche, we will protect the right of even those whose ideas we find despicable. Right now, the tolerance threshold is being heavily challenged!

To be sure, Uncle Sam is used to dialectical confrontations. Baseball brawls, football fights, soccer scuffles, and ice hockey eyegashers are common fare. Wrestling fights are staged to look real; boxing is glorified. NASCAR "demolition" races goes with the pop and the popcorn in the sun. Divide and rule is an honored ideology, which our military strategy keeps close to their vests in keeping the Koreas apart, Vietnam away from their cousins in Zhongguo, Afghanistan and Iraq in line, and enticing/supporting Filipinos to stick their patriotism on Spratly.

Media sells print and time on airing controversies, and the alarming spread of copycat crimes across the country now confronts law enforcement agencies as "breaking news" extend coverage, prolong images of violence until it becomes inane and commonplace, then wash their hands for any accountability. The runaway train on the networking media has added text-posting challenge to the legal melee when private tweeting spills over to the public domain.

A Caucasian Chicago lady was pointed on the current tea party and GOP assault on Obama. "If it was Hillary Clinton or John Mc-

By JAIME VERGARA

Special to the Saipan Tribune

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Cain at the helm, dialogue would be open. I hate to admit it, but many treat Obama as a 'nigger' and cannot transcend the historical implications of one's skin color," she said. A Chicago daily listed a long list of Obama accomplishments along with what antagonists' focus on what he "failed to do." Current GOP presidential candidates' claim that Obama killed jobs and only GOP's sudden affinity to labor is worth considering in the yearlong steamy horse race to election 2012. This is before we get to hear the President's job creation strategy slated for unveiling when Congress convenes after its summer break!

We are now in Dallas with Texas Gov. Rick Perry going head-tohead v. Mitt Romney and Michelle Bachmann on the GOP trail, and big D's sentiment has not changed much since we were last here in the early '70s.

We took a drive through our alma mater SMU in predominantly lily-white Highland Park in Dallas; the school kept its signature architecture (Ivy League) with the controversial George W. Bush presidential library not too far from the U's famed fraternity/sorority row. I wondered if the racial undertow that we lived through while being a token foreign student in the late '60s still prevails. Sadly, informal tiered racial stratification remains. Not as blatant as the society outside the university since a liberal oasis does exist on Mockingbird Lane, and I do recall picketing a "for white only" washateria in our first semester at the university, but big D with oil barons, financial giants, and livestock ranchers have deep-seated "prejudices" of immense influence. It does not appear that much change has occurred.

We are headed in this last stop of our summer spirit voyage and pilgrimage trek to a Lutheran retreat grounds north of Dallas-Ft. Worth with folks from the Institute of Realistic Living where such practices as radical honesty and transparency of spirit are encouraged. The effect of the current loss of civility in the political scene will obviously come to fore.

MLK still bellows "I still have a dream" in TV airings, just before the memorial park in his honor opens late August in Washington, D.C. We might be reminded that we are a nation whose vision of racial equality and democratic civility remains at the forefront of the emerging definition of humanness around the world. We might continue dreaming, dog days and ever.

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One ice skate, one zori

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efore I get to the coolest story of the year, while so many folks are sweating paying the bills these days, allow me a flashback to the early '90s:

Prof. C., a professor of finance, was 20 minutes late to a dinner I attended.

"Sorry I'm late," he announced when he finally arrived. "The mega-lotto is tonight, and the line for tickets at the liquor store stretched all the way out the door to the barber shop."

Everybody laughed at the quip. It made for a comical image: The distinguished professor lined up cheek to jowl with the proles at the corner liquor store, his the solitary Harris tweed jacket among the mullet haircuts and tank tops.

As the laughter at the table rose and fell, the professor held a

Then he dug into his jacket pocket and produced his lotto ticket, declaring: "I always play my lucky numbers."

Fast-forwarding to modern times and the coolest story of the year, it seems that our good professor wasn't the only one playing a hunch. According to the (U.K.) Daily Mail, one Joan R. Ginther, of Texas, reportedly a former professor of mathematics, has won four lottos over a span of years.

And we're not talking pipsqueak deals here: The payouts were \$5.4 million, \$2 million, \$3 million, and, finally, \$10 million. Whew! I'd be late to a few dinner parties myself for that kind of coin.

Ginther, according to the story, holds a Ph.D. from Stanford, "specializing in statistics."

Cazart! Is that cool, or what?

It's certainly intriguing.

So what do you think? Is she just very lucky, or was something else but fortuitous randomness involved? I think this story has been picked up in a number of places, so you can probably delve further into it if you want. As for me, I'm happy to drop the trail here.

I know doctors, dentists, airline pilots, and engineers who buy lotto tickets. These folks are smart enough to understand the probabilities involved, at least at the basic conceptual level. In terms of financial probability, yes, it's a losing proposition. But in terms of hedonic economics, it can be a rational transaction: Their enjoyment from the "strike it rich" fantasy exceeds the enjoyment of whatever else they could have spent the money on.

"Hedonic" is no idle term, by the way. You'll probably suspect, and correctly so, that this is a linguistic sibling of "hedonism." Well, that might sounds frivolous, or even salacious, but there's no monkey business here. No, sir. I run a respectable column! So it's a "true fact" that modern economic theory is a hedonic model, in which people make decisions and engage in transactions with the goal of maximizing their happiness.

Back to this lotto thing. I'll consider a lotto ticket, or other types of gambling, as "risk seeking" behavior. In other words, somebody is willing to pay a premium in order to make a risky play, and these are net-loss transactions in the statistical sense. You don't win a lotto because the odds are with you, you win it because the odds are against you; that's why it exists in the first place.

And yet these same lotto people, at least those of my acquaintance, also pay insurance premiums every month, which, of course, is for the diametrically opposite concept: risk-aversion. Just as the odds are with the lotto companies, the odds are also with the insurance companies. So for the customer this is also a net-loss transaction in the statistical sense.

Hey, loss on one hand, loss on the other. Good grief!

Indeed, statistically speaking, the only way to come out of this stuff optimally is to be risk-neutral, neither paying to get, nor to

So no lotto ticket or insurance for you, pal. But most of us wouldn't accept that situation. We derive comfort from paying to avoid risk (insurance) and also by paying to get risk (lotto tickets). How wacky is that? It's like having an ice skate on one foot and a zori on the other.

I don't play the lotto, but I play an occasional hand of blackjack. So I'm not holding myself aloof from the discussion here, I'm also an ice skate and zori guy.

But I don't have any lucky numbers. I'm beginning to wonder if I should re-think that approach. After all, \$10 million jackpot sounds pretty good to me. Dreaming about that might keep me from worrying about reality for awhile. Hey, I guess that's the whole point, isn't it?

Letters to the Editor

My beautiful day was hijacked by cow manure

Sunday, Aug 31. It was a beautiful day, so I decided to drive up to Suicide Cliff for that much needed personal day. I live in Kagman, and with the high cost of gasoline, I seldom drive pass the Retirement Fund building, unless it's a must that I go downtown. Everything we need for our daily necessities are right here in the heart of Kagman. Well, basically everything except a much-needed police station, dispensary, and yes, a designated place where we can throw our garbage so some of us don't litter the roads and the undeveloped

Anyways, so I headed north with my latest book, The Fountainhead by Ayn Rand. I wanted so much to spend the late afternoon under one of the trees, reading my book, reflecting, and basically just enjoying the first day of the rest of my life. As I got out of the car, I took a moment to inhale the clean, fresh air. Gosh, this is so beautiful. The heat from the sun was just perfect, not to mention the breeze.

All of a sudden I had this weird feeling that my life was in danger. Hmmm, this is spooky, but I wasn't going to let my imagination run me off this cliff. I've come this far with a few drops of gas in my reserve tank so might as well face my fears and enjoy the day. I quickly scanned the area in search of a nice spot. Yes, I found a really nice tree not far from the parking area. I took my folding chair, coffee, laptop and my book and headed toward the edge of the field. The grasses were long, but that was to be expected from July to August (rainy season.) What I didn't expect was cow manure everywhere. I mean everywhere! Ugh! My so-called beautiful day was hijacked by cow manure! Flashback! Flashback! Am I back on Pagan? Am I dreaming? I had to pinch myself to make sure that I was awake and standing right here in the parking lot of Suicide cliff. Cow manure everywhere, from the parking area, to the lookout, under the trees, and yes, sad to say, even on the monument.

I immediately got back in my car with a heavy heart in search of a quiet, cow manure-free place. I headed down to the Last Command Post and found a nice spot under a beautiful flame tree. Yes! This is perfect! I decided to work on my lesson plan instead but the scene at Suicide Cliff bombarded my mind. How could we let this happen? How could we be so insensitive, careless, and unconcerned for our beautiful island? Beautiful? I almost couldn't get that word out of my mouth; it sounded more like an insult.

This scene brought me back to my early years on Pagan. There were so many animals roaming the island that we had to build a fence to grow a vegetable garden. Our neighboring islands built a fence around their homes to keep the animals out. Picture this: the humans were fenced in while the animals roam the island. I can't help but laugh every time I remember those days when the animals took charge of our island.

So? What say you? Shall we (humans) take back our island, or let the animals do as they please? First there are dogs that are forever shitting in my yard, then chickens digging up my doni garden, and then rats building a hotel in my roof, now cows taking over the tourist sites? This is so unbelievable. Where are the authorities? Oh! That's right, budget cut, austerity Fridays, unpaid holidays, low salary, unpaid overtime, skyrocketing gas price, electricity, blah blah blah. Nah! Let the animals run our island, and let's just sit back, drink beer, eat lobster and steak. Yeah, I think that sounds better. Buahaha!

Josie Kaipat

Kagman II, Saipan

Thank you

I would like to thank the NMASA for honoring me and the U15 National Team as the ATHLETe of the MOnth awardee for July 20, 2011. While participating in the EAFF soccer tournament in Taipei, Taiwan last month, we, the U15 National Team, practiced hard and got really much closer together as a unified team. Although my name is the only one on the award, we know that the accomplishment that is being recognized is the result of team effort.

Also, thank you very much Mr. Jerry Tan, NMIFA officials, coaches, NMI Men's player, U18 players, Masa, coach Katie and her team, coach Kambe and JEF United Chiba U13 team and staff, Yokohama FC U13 team and staff, Tama University Meguro Junior High U15 and team and staff, and CNMI friends and family for all of your support.

We are very grateful for the very special Athlete of the Month award. Of course, we need to learn more skills and we need to practice more plays. The Taipei experience motivated and encouraged us for success. And we did it-we won for the CNMI!

Jehn Berneser Harada Joyner

San Roque, Saipan

Faux News

It doesn't take a political scientist to recognize the wildly extreme right wing bias of Fox News. It really is a no-brainer. Among most Americans, Fox News is a national joke! The only people who take them seriously are the right wing Republican base, aka the tea party, who actually buy into their extremist nonsense. Mr. Keiper fits neatly into this category. Fox is ready fodder for these folks.

A lot of Americans watch Fox News for entertainment value; I know I do. It's always good for a laugh. Mr Keiper is a self-proclaimed master teacher, and accordingly we are supposed to buy in to his tea party mentality? My status as an emeritus professor has nothing to do with my politics, so let's get that off the table.

MSNBC has a left wing agenda, for sure. According to Mr. Keiper, the other national news outlets such as CNN provide what he refers to as little side stories while Fox supplies more than double the news. Dear friends, Fox is not a news organization; its strictly a venue for right wing Republican conservative commentary. They don't bother with actual news because it allows less airtime for their political propaganda. So there it is, short, sweet, and the truth!

Ray Spicer

Omro, WI

Let me refresh your memory

to refresh your memory in case you forgot.

First of all, Bush was supposed to go to war in Afghanistan because that's where OBL was but no, Bush want to go to Iraq too and neglected Afghanistan. The Democrats never started these two wars and to be more clear and concise and to the point, it was on the Republican's watch when the financial market crashed, so it's the Republicans who created this global financial disaster we're facing today.

Let me refresh your good memory.

A. Vice President Cheney was a big part of this financial mess with his companies raking in billions as partners of the corporate contractors in both wars in his eight years in office. He later asserts that "the government has absolutely nothing to do" with his financial success as chairman of Halliburton Co. Go figure.

B. When Brooksley E. Born, chairperson of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission, became alarmed by the lack of oversight of the secretive, multi trillion-dollar shady derivatives, and warned Congress that the economy was going to crash, the Republicans in charge brushed her off and ignored the truth and here we are today, trying to dig ourselves out of the big, wide, deep hole.

C. When the global economy came crashing down, Bush bailed

Thank you Mr. Keiper for your service to our country but allow me out the richest people on Wall Street and the bankers to try to save our global financial market with TARP, even as a lot of Americans are bearing the brunt of this financial disaster now, as people struggle and suffer to save their mortgages, 401k, homes, cars and put food on the table.

> D. As Bush was leaving office, America was losing 700,000 jobs a month, leaving a huge massive financial mess for President Obama to clean up. When President Obama came into office he found a terribly damaged economy that he didn't anticipate and he explained to the American people this will be an uphill battle for years to come, if not for decades to come, as Republicans play the blame game.

> In conclusion, the get-rich-quick Republicans don't want to cooperate or at least compromise as this U.S. President has been treated unfairly while all these rich millionaires and billionaires are sitting on the sideline and not putting people to work. The worst I see is the flying shoe in Iraq thrown at President Bush; that was a horrible way to leave office.

Joaquin Romolor

Portland, OR

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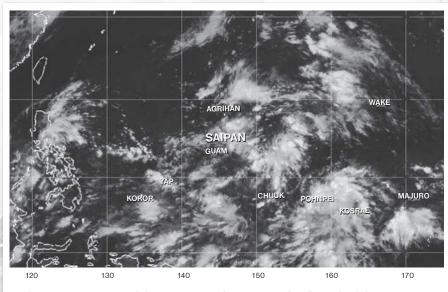
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	Manila	Thundershowers	▲ 87	▼80
	Melbourne	Partly Cloudy	▲ 65	▼ 48
	Miami	Thundershowers	≜ 88	₹79
l	New York	Thundershowers	≜ 85	▼ 69
	Osaka	Thunderstorms	\$ 89	▼77
	Paris	Partly Cloudy	▲ 75	▼57
	Pusan	Thunderstorms	▲80	₹74
	Rome	Sunny	▲ 92	▼71
	Salem	Sunny	≜ 83	▼55
	San Francisco	Partly Cloudy	▲ 67	▼55
	Seoul	Thundershowers	▲ 78	▼71
	Tokyo	Thunderstorms	≜ 86	▼75
	Washington, DO	C Thundershowers	89	▼73

Yesterday's Satellite Image



PICTURE TIME: 1:00PM, THURSDAY, AUGUST 18, 2011

Western North Pacific between equator and 25N from 130E to 180.

A monsoon trough extends eastward from 12N130E to 10N146E then turns southeastward to end at EQ157E. Scattered showers and a few thunderstorms are found primarily south of Koror south of a line from 5N130E to 8N141E. Scattered showers are found over Yap within 60 miles of a line from 11N136E to 8N141E and south of the Marianas between 8N and the equator from $143E\ to\ 148E.\ A\ surface\ trough\ runs\ southwestward\ over\ the\ Marianas\ from\ 20N150E\ to\ 13N145E.$ Scattered showers and a few thunderstorms are occurring over the CNMI within 120 miles of a line from 16N145E to 12N151E and near the far Northern Marianas between 21N and 19N from 145E to 152E. Another surface trough stretches southwestward from 15N155E to 10N150E. Scattered showers and a few thunderstorms are found north of Chuuk within 120 miles of a line from 17N155E and 10N153E. A third surface trough extends southwestward from 27N157E to 21N153E. Scattered showers and isolated thunderstorms are located east of Minami Tori Shima between 25N and 20N from 155E to 163E. A tropical disturbance is generating numerous showers and isolated thunderstorms over Kosrae and Pohnpei between 10N and the equator from 156E to 166E. Another trade-wind disturbance is triggering scattered showers and a few thunderstorms south of Majuro within 130 miles of a line from 4N167E to 3N176E

Tides Saipan Harbor Low Tide: 5:11 AM Today 11:01 AM Today High Tide: 1.5 Feet 5:00 PM Today Low Tide: 0.7 Feet 10:50 PM Today High Tide: 1.8 Feet

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Saturday	6:03 AM	6:38 PM
Sunday	6:03 AM	6:37 PM
Monday	6:03 AM	6:37 PM
Tuesday	6:03 AM	6:36 PM

Moonrise/Moonset										
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Saturday	11:20 PM	11:44 AM								
Sunday	11:20 PM	11:44 AM								
Monday		12:35 PM								
Tuesday	12:08 AM	1:27 PM								

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C09313	8:30am	9:20am	1, 2, 4, 5, 7	C09596		7:25am	3, 6
C09601	12:10pm	1:00pm	1, 4, 5, 7	C09596	7:00am	7:50am	1, 2, 4, 5, 7
C09603	3:05pm	3:55pm	1, 2, 4, 5, 7	5K389	8:00am	8:50am	5
5K386		6:40pm	4	C09600	10:05am	10:55am	1, 2, 4, 5, 7
C09605	6:35pm	7:25pm	Daily	C09602	1:40pm	2:30pm	1, 4, 5, 7
C09599	9:35pm	10:25pm	Daily	C09604	5:10pm	6:00pm	Daily
5K382	11:30pm	12:20am+1	1, 5	C09606	8:10pm	9:00pm	Daily
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Airline	ETD	ETA	Frequency	Airline	ETD	ETA Fr	equency
Guam-Rota				FRE 113	11:40	11:50	Daily
FRE 100	7:30	8:00	Daily	FRE 115	13:00	13:10	Daily
Rota-Saipan			,	FRE 117	14:30	14:40	Daily
FRE 100	8:20	8:50	Daily	FRE 119	16:00	16:10	Daily
Guam-Rota			·	FRE 121	16:40	16:50	Daily
FRE 300	17:00	17:30	Daily	FRE 123	17:40	17:50	Daily
Rota-Saipan	17:50	18:20	Daily	FRE 125	18:30	18:40	Daily
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Saipan–Rota				Tinian-Saipan			
FRE 200	9:30	10:00	Daily	FRE 102	7:05	7:15	Daily
Rota-Guam	10:20	10:45	Daily	FRE 104	7:50	8:00	Daily
Saipan-Rota				FRE 106	8:20	8:30	Daily
FRE 400	18:55	19:25	Daily	FRE 108	9:00	9:10	Daily
Rota-Guam				FRE 110	10:00	10:10	Daily
FRE 400	19:40	20:10	Daily	FRE 112	11:05	11:15	Daily
			·	FRE 114	12:00	12:10	Daily
Saipan-Tinian				FRE 116	13:30	13:40	Daily
FRE 101	6:45	6:55	Daily	FRE 118	14:50	15:00	Daily
FRE 103	7:30	7:40	Daily	FRE 120	16:20	16:30	Daily
FRE 105	8:00	8:10	Daily	FRE 122	17:00	17:10	Daily
FRE 107	8:40	8:50	Daily	FRE 124	18:05	18:15	Daily
FRE 109	9:10	9:20	Daily	FRE 126	18:50	19:00	Daily
FRE 111	10:45	10:55	Daily				

COMMUNITY BRIEFS

Geothermal exploration discussion on Marianas Agupa

This Saturday, Aug. 20, 2011, Marianas Agupa will feature former Washington representative Pedro A. Tenorio between 10am and 10:30am. The discussion will be on the geothermal energy drilling exploration project in the Commonwealth leading toward commercialization. The show runs from 9am to 11am on Magic 100.3 FM.

The Chamorro Radio Talk Show Program is hosted by Glenn H. Manglona. Featured reports are as follows: World report and program review by former mayor Joseph S. Inos and a report from Rota with correspondent and commentator Thomas D. Mendiola, a special segment called Hafa Mohon with Juanita Mendiola and a report from Tinian by correspondent and radio commentator David M. Cing. Simultaneous Internet streaming via www.magic100radio.com will be available. (PR)

5 beach sites redflagged

The Division of Environment Quality has red-flagged the DPW Channel Bridge, Hafadai Beach Hotel, Garapan Beach drainage, Sugar Dock, and the CK Dist. 2 drainage and is advising the public not to fish or swim within 300 feet of these locations for the next 48 hours or until otherwise notified.

DEQ said that samples collected from these locations had excessive concentrations of fecal indicator bacteria (enterococci) that exceeded the CNMI Marine Water Quality Standards. These bacteria can indicate the presence of human and animal waste in the water. Water samples were taken from 38 locations on Saipan this week. For more information, contact DEQ at 664-8500. (DEQ)

SAES parent orientation schedule

The San Antonio Elementary School will hold its parent orientation on Sept. 6 and 7, according to grade levels. The orientation will be in each respective classroom. All parents are urged to be present to receive important information that will be given out by each classroom teacher. Please be on time.

SEPT. 6

- Kinder (AM & PM), 3pm-4-pm
- 4th Grade, 4pm-5pm
- 5th Grade, 5pm-6pm
- 6th Grade, 6pm-7pm **SEPT. 7**
- 1st Grade, 4pm-5pm
- 2nd Grade, 5pm-6pm
- 3rd Grade, 6pm-7pm

Free business workshops set

The CNMI Small Business Development Center, in partner-

ship with the Saipan Chamber of Commerce, will be conducting the following free workshops:

- How to start a business: Aug. 23, 9am to 11am
- How to write a business plan: Aug. 24, 9am to 11am
- How to read a financial statement: Aug. 25, 9am to 11am

All workshops will be conducted at the Saipan Chamber of Commerce office (233-7150), first flloor Famila Building, Garapan. Deadline for preregistration is 12pm, Aug. 22, 2011. Requests for reasonable accommodations for persons with disabilities must be made 72 hours in advance.

For more information contact Ralph Yumul at 664-3018. (PR)

Tinian Health Center notice

This is to inform all patients of the Tinian Health Center that, due to our physician and nurse practitioner being on sick leave, we kindly ask for your patience and understanding until their return. However, we will continue to provide emergency treatment. *(PR)*

MHS Class of '82 reunion meeting

Marianas High School Class of 1982 will be having a class reunion meeting on Saturday, Aug. 20, 6pm at the Minatchom Atdao. If you have any questions, contact your class reunion chairperson James Lizama at 287-4026. (PR)

Chacha Jr. High School 7-8 graders orientation on Sept. 2

This is to inform all parents, guardians, and the community

that Chacha Ocean View Jr. High School will be having an orientation for 7th and 8th grade students on Sept. 2, 2011, from 9:30am to 10:30am in the cafeteria. Call the school at 237-3921 or 664-4100 if you have any question or concerns. *(PR)*

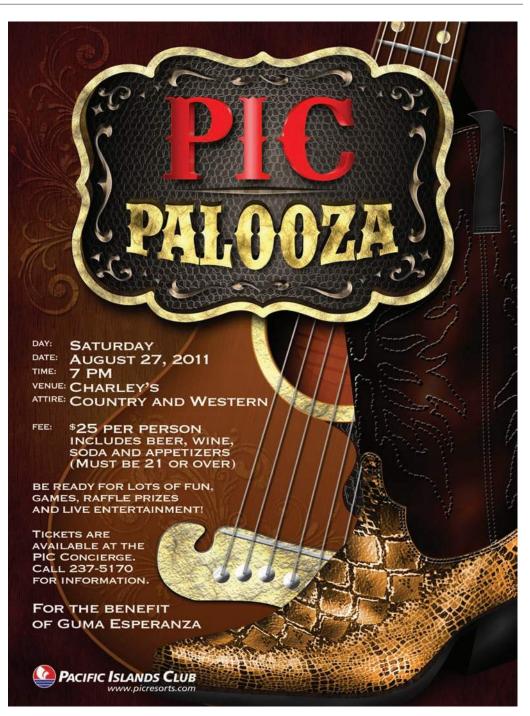
Kagman High reregistration ongoing

Students planning on attending Kagman High School must reregister in order to get a schedule of classes. The purpose of this is to update our records and contact information. Incoming 9th graders from Hopwood, if you have not registered yet, do it soon! Required documents: copy of birth certificate, school entrance health certificate, copy of medical insurance card, official transcript, legal guardianship document (if needed) and registration application (which includes an E-Rate income survey). Official registration will end Aug. 19. Late registration will be accepted, but placement in choice classes depends on early registration! (KHS)

Kagman High orientation schedule

Kagman High School will be holding an orientation for freshmen and sophomores on Aug. 25, 2011. The freshmen orientation will be from 9am to 10am, while the sophomore orientation will be from 10:30am to 11:30am. The orientation for juniors and seniors will be on Aug. 26, 2011. Juniors will have their orientation from 9am to 10am, while seniors will have theirs from 10:30am to 11:30am. For more information, call the KHS main office at 237-3840. (KHS)







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Saipan cook wins blue ribbon in online recipe club

Saipan cook Connie "Kiyu" Guerrero's Three Cheese Stuffed Shells recipe was awarded a blue ribbon at Just A Pinch Recipe Club, the new online social community created for and by cooks in hometown America at www. justapinch.com.

Guerrero's Three Cheese Stuffed Shells (meatless) was named a blue ribbon winner by Just A Pinch Food editor Janet Tharpe.

To land the award, Guerrero served up a full-flavored, festive dish that was both tasty and easy to prepare.

"We love this dish as a meatless entre," shares Tharpe. "Super flavorful and delightfully creamy."

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Guerrero is one of several

Members can post their own

"family tested and approved"

recipes, try recipes submitted by

other club members, print hun-

dreds of grocery coupons and

enter recipe contests. They also

have the opportunity to utilize

a personal online recipe box to

save recipes, compile grocery

In addition, members can cre-

ate and join discussion groups,

to chat about recipes, share cooking tips and build relation-

ships as if they are sitting around

"We continually add new fea-

tures to the club based on the

feedback of our members," said

Tharpe. "It's because of people like Connie "Kiyu" Guerrero,

who is proud to share her fam-

ily's favorite recipes with other

hometown cooks, that the club

has become so popular and is

Founded in 2010, Just A

lists and plan meals.

one big kitchen table.

area residents participating in the club, known as "America's

Just A Pinch.

Great Recipe Swap."

Ingredients

growing so fast."

12 oz jumbo pasta shells 1 1/4 cup mozzarella

cheese, grated 1 cup parmesan cheese,

grated 2 lb ricotta cheese

4 large eggs, lightly beaten

1/2 cup fresh spinach,

minced drained 1 tsp black pepper

1 tbsp dried parsley

1 tbsp lemon basil,

with mushrooms

chopped 16 oz spaghetti sauce mix

Directions

In a large pot, bring water to a boil and cook shells according to package directions (until al dente). Drain and plunge into cold water to cool. Drain again and set

In a medium bowl, combine 1 cup mozzarella cheese, parmesan, ricotta, eggs, spinach, garlic, pepper and parsley. Pour a thin layer of spaghetti sauce on the bottom of a 12x9 baking dish and preheat oven to 375 degrees. Spoon the cheese mixture into each shell and place right side up in baking dish. Pour the remaining sauce over the shells. Cover loosely with tin foil and bake in the oven for 40 minutes.

During the last five minutes of baking, remove foil and sprinkle remaining mozzarella cheese on top of shells. Bake five more minutes. Remove from the oven and serve.

(www.justapinch.com)



All NMI residents eligible to apply at Sandy Beach Homes

The Sandy Beach Homes residential complex now under construction in Chalan Kanoa will be open to all legal CNMI residents. according to the project partners.

The six-story, 60-unit residential project is scheduled for completion in December 2011 and will be open to all residents who meet income and other eligibility requirements.

"We're exceptionally pleased with the progress of construction, and we look forward to opening our leasing office on Sept. 12 so people can start planning to move

in January 2012," said Sandy Beach Homes managing member Bob Jones. "We also want to be clear that the opportunity to stay at Sandy Beach Homes will be open to all legal CNMI residents, even if they are not U.S. citizens, as long as they meet the income and other eligibility requirements."

Each of the homes has three bedrooms, two bathrooms, washer/dryer, A/C, insulated doublepaned windows, water purification system, and ceiling fans in every room. Additional amenities include a balcony overlooking Saipan's western lagoon, a parking garage, typhoon shutters, and security cameras. The facility also includes backup generator and water supply. Four ADA units will also be available.

"The building was designed with 'green' energy efficiency in mind, so each unit has a solar hot water and the appliances are Energy Star rated," said Jones. "It's our intention that the families who get accepted into Sandy Beach Homes will have not only beautiful homes on the beach to enjoy, but also the opportunity to save money."

The Sandy Beach Homes complex sits in the heart of Chalan Kanoa, with several stores, banks, schools, churches and the main post office located within walking distance.

Jones added that Sandy Beach Homes will also be launching a website soon to provide more information to interested applicants, including income guidelines. The housing complex is funded under a federal housing program through Northern Marianas Housing Corp. (PR)

In addition, traffic officers

This activity is part of the decupants are protected. (DPS)

Application for Japan cultural exchange program starts Monday

The Saipan Mayor's Office will begin distributing on Monday application forms for students who want to participate in the 2011 KSKK Student Cultural Exchange Program trip to Japan.

Executive secretary Vinycia Seman said that only 10 slots will be available for the program slated for Oct. 6 to 12.

The KSKK Student Cultural Exchange Program has been going on for over 20 years. The last KSKK group from Japan visited Saipan in July.

"The program is important as it brings awareness to what is going on in another country and promotes mutual understanding of one's culture and way of life. It develops lifelong friendships with a family in Japan, especially now with technology providing an easier way of keeping in touch," Seman told Saipan Tribune.

Slots are available on a first-

come, first-served basis and acceptance to the program will be based on meeting qualifications and payment of ticket. The program is open to students between third and eighth grades. Interested participants must possess a valid U.S. passport that does not expire within six months while in Japan, willing to pay a non-refundable ticket fare of \$546.06 by Sept. 16, purchase travel insurance, and present a student clearance form filled out and approved by teachers and counselor.

Seman encouraged qualified students to apply for the program. "I am certain our students will come back with memorable experiences to be grateful about," she added.

For more information, visit the Saipan Mayor's Office in San Antonio or call 234-6208. (Clarissa David)

The Tinian Department of Public Safety's Traffic Section will be conducting DUI/ sobriety checkpoints on the dates and time listed below:

■ Friday, Aug. 19, 7pm–8-:15pm, eastbound lane on Broadway Road by the baseball field in San Jose village.

Sobriety checkpoints on Tinian

lane on Broadway Road by the Youth Center in San Jose.

- Thursday, Aug. 25, 6pm–7-:15pm, westbound lane next to the Department of Commerce.
- Friday, Aug. 26, 8pm-9-:15pm, along Broadway road by 9pm–10:15pm, southbound Tinian Democrat Headquarters.

10pm-11:15pm, along Broadway road by Natibu Park.

■ Saturday, Aug. 27, 8pm-9-:15pm, northbound lane along Broadway road by Housing Turnkey.

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- Purposely hurt themselves
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If you have concerns about your child's development, contact your baby's doctor or call the Children's Developmental Assistance Center at **664-4830** for a free developmental screening. Children with autism can learn, grow and succeed. Early action is the key!







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Two years of getting newspapers into the HANDS OF STUDENTS

BY CLARISSA V. DAVID clarissa_david@saipantribune.com

enturies have passed since the advent of newspapers, yet these regular publications of reports on current events have kept its important role of keeping the public informed. Despite readily available information in Web-based alternatives, newspapers continue to educate the public about critical issues.

Tan Siu Lin Foundation is resolute in its belief that the newspaper is the most current textbook for students, which is why it created a program to make newspapers accessible to young learners.

"Partners in Education" was launched in 2009 through the collaborative efforts of the TSL Foundation and the *Saipan Tribune* to engage teachers and students in comprehensible and meaningful discussions of issues about the government, economy, health, and environment, using the newspaper as an

educational tool through school projects and reports.

Foundation manager Ed Arriola said the program was launched two years ago at Dandan Elementary School, which was selected because of its already recurring donations of newspapers. He said the initial donation was 10 copies per class on staggered days throughout the week.

Arriola disclosed that the program, the brainchild of TSL Foundation president Jerry Tan, is anchored on a similar

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CLARISSA DAVID

Ray Sandla, special projects & publications manager of the Pacific Historic Parks, is flanked by *Saipan Tribune's* Sol Dayao, right, and Celia Pillarina.



Koblerville Elem School

Saipan International School



Green Meadow School

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program run by Gannet/Pacific Daily News.

After the program's initial year, Arriola said they surveyed the students and talked to them about having a newspaper in their classrooms and found out how they became more familiar with local and national events.

"Ultimately, the children are able to have the most up-to-date textbook in their hands every morning and the teachers are better able to talk to them about

the ups and downs of life. There is more interaction and life lessons that our teachers are able to extend to the children by ex-

plaining current events to them riola said there are ongoing talks in a language suitable for their with representatives of Tinian age group," he said.

Three years since its launch, "Partners in Education" has benefited several public and private schools on Saipan through its partnership with individuals and companies that immediately signed up for the program. They include Mobil, Brabu Pharmacy, Pacific Historic Parks, IT&E, Richard and Marian Aldan-Pierce, D&Q, Shirley's Coffee Shop, Century Hotel, Century Insurance Co. Ltd., Fiesta Resort & Spa, and Saipan Grand Hotel.

These individuals and companies, Arriola said, buy the newspapers at cost and pays for the cost of the print as well as a minimal fee for delivery. Spon-

sors are regularly acknowledged in ads that also list the schools they support. "Partners in Education would like to thank these fine sponsors who, through their support, are helping educate the future of the CNMI," added Arriola.

With another school year about to commence, "Partners in Education" is once again inviting companies and individuals to sponsor newspaper subscriptions for any school in the CNMI to ensure continued learning among students. Ar-



and Rota schools, which are also available for sponsorship.

"Our main goal is to try and get newspapers in the hands of every student every morning," he told Saipan Tribune.

"Partners in Education," Arriola said, believes that among these students lie future entrepreneurs, doctors, teachers, engineers, and other professionals that could be nurtured through the perpetuation of this vital program. "We hope that our newspaper, or any newspaper in general, gets in the hands of more children," he added.

To participate in the program or for more information, contact Mirasol Dayao or Celia Pillarina at 235-2440.

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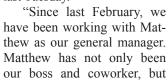
Happy 6th birthday to Anthony Jacob Camacho DLG! We love you past the moon and back infinity times over! Love always, Mommy and Daddy Audie.

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Saipan World Resort bids outgoing GM goodbye

Saipan World Resort bid adieu to outgoing general manager Myung "Matthew" Wook Park last Tuesday.





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From left, Saipan World Resort outgoing general manager Myung Wook Park, human resources manager Miram Seman, and incoming general manager Jong Tae Park.

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- Alyn Reed Camacho
- Kycel Butters



Standing (Back): Representative Edmund Villagomez, DYS Director Laura Ogumoro, DCCA Secretary Melvin Faisao

Sitting (Front): Clea San Nicolas, Community Action Team (CAT) Chairman Luis Camacho, Alyn Reed Camacho, Angel Ray Guerrero, Jon Cenir, Kycel Butters and Marc Venus

our friend and our brother. We have been through good times and bad times together, but through it all, Matthew showed leadership, compassion and love for everyone in the Saipan World Resort family," said human resources manager Miram Seman.

Seman said it was an honor working with Park. "I want to say, from deep in my heart, that we love you. We will pray for you so that everything that you do in the future."

Park then received a plaque of appreciation from Saipan World Resort, "to express all our love staff. (PR)

and our gratitude for your service here at Saipan World Resort," said Seman.

Park will be replaced by incoming general manager Jong Tae Park, who himself was feted with a welcome party by Saipan World Resort

Learn how to make traditional bread and cake, native meds

The Inetnon Amot van Kutturan Natibu/Mwiischil Safev me Kkoor Aramasal Faluw is offering free classes in making bread and Chamorro cake and native medicine to all interested Chamorros and Carolinians tomorrow, Aug. 20, 2011, at the Man'amko Center in Garapan.

The making of the bread and Chamorro cake will start at 8:30am. At the Man'amko Center will be lessons on some simple native medicine.

This Saturday's activities at the Rota Chamorro Village Cultural Center (in the DCCA office compound) will be a continuation from last Saturday's, which includes carving, cooking, and contemporary art.

Activities on Rota start at 10:30am. Children and adults are invited.

These activities are offered by the Association of Native

Medicine and Culture, in partnership with the Indigenous Affairs Office (Saipan) and the Department of Community and Cultural Affairs (Rota) and funded in part by the Administration for Native Americans. For more information, call 322-0278 on Saipan and 286-5562 on Rota. (PR)

Road diversion on Marine Corps Drive

SANTA RITA, Guam—The U.S. Navy advises of changes to the traffic pattern on Marine Corps Drive in Piti beginning Monday, Aug. 22, when two south-bound lanes near the Sasa Valley Fuel Farm will be temporarily closed to through traffic.

Navy contractors will divert both south-bound traffic lanes to one north-bound lane, while the other north-bound lane will remain to accommodate northbound traffic.

This temporary diversion is scheduled for 10 days while Navy contractors continue work on the Wastewater Collection System Upgrade construction project for Naval Base Guam (NBG).

"We appreciate the community's patience," said Cmdr. Mike Thornton, NBG public works officer. "Safety is of utmost importance. During construction work we ask motorists to plan on brief delays and obey all posted speed limit and traffic signs."

The construction project to install new wastewater pipes began at the Polaris Point intersection earlier this year and is slated for completion in November 2011. (PR)

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Concession stand burglarized

Crime Stoppers is seeking the a black HP laptop. There is a community's assistance for information on a burglary and theft incident that occurred at Tropical Leisure Sports Inc., a beach concession stand, located behind Hafadai Hotel, are seeking help from the pub-Garapan.

On Friday, Aug. 12, 2011, at about 8am, it was discovered that the back door to the concession stand was damaged and forced open. The owner of the company discovered some items missing. The stolen items include three spear guns and

sticker with the name "Rusty" on the bottom. The amount of the stolen items is estimated to be over \$1,000.

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Business

Biden and Chinese VP call for improved relations

BEIJING (AP)—Stressing the importance of personal ties, Vice President Joseph Biden sat down Thursday with his Chinese counterpart and the country's leaderin-waiting for talks that will focus largely on U.S. economic woes.

Biden was given an honorguard welcoming ceremony before meeting Xi Jinping, who is expected to take over as Communist Party chief next year.

Biden said ahead of the talks that it is of "the utmost importance" to develop a close relationship with China.

"I would suggest that there is no more important relationship that we need to establish on the part of the United States than a

A big bounce, ounce by ounce, as gold takes off

NEW YORK (AP)—For what is normally a sleepy month, there are so many customers at the Gold Standard, a New York company that buys jewelry, that it feels like Christmas in August. Uncle Ben's Pawn Shop in Cleveland has never seen a rush like this.

Welcome to the new American gold rush. The price of gold is on a remarkable run, setting a record seemingly every other day. Stomach-churning volatility in the stock market this month has only made investors covet gold more.

Some want it as a safe investment for turbulent times. What worries some investors is that many others are buying simply because the price is rising and they want to make money fast.

"Is gold the next bubble?" asks Bill DiRocco, a golf company manager in Overland Park, Kan., who shifted 10 percent of his portfolio earlier this year into an investment fund that tracks the price of gold. He stopped buying because the price kept rising.

BUSINESS BRIEFS

Oil hovers above \$87

In October 2007, it sold for about \$740 an ounce. A little over a year later, it rose above \$1,000 for the first time. This past March, it began rocketing

up. On Wednesday, it traded

above \$1,793 an ounce, just shy of last week's record of \$1.801.

Meanwhile, stocks, despite rising sharply in the last two and a half years, are only slightly higher in price than they were a decade ago. Since hitting a record high in October 2007, the Standard & Poor's 500 index is down 23 percent.

Gold hits a sweet spot among the elements: It's rare, but not too rare. It's chemically stable; all the gold ever mined is still around. And it can be divided into small amounts without losing its properties.

Ultimately, though, gold is valuable because we all agree it is. It was used around the world as a currency for thousands of years, and then it gave value to paper currencies for a couple of hundred more.

close relationship with China," he said.

"I am absolutely confident that the economic stability of the world rests in no small part on cooperation between the United States and China," he said.

In the run-up to Biden's visit, Chinese commentators and media have sounded a drum beat on what the United States should do about its struggling economy, especially in the wake of the downgrade in the U.S. credit rating.

But the main purpose of Biden's trip is get a better read on Xi, who will visit Washington later this year.

Besides meetings in Beijing, Xi talk about human rights in genwill accompany Biden on a visit to Sichuan province. The U.S. vice president will deliver a speech in Sichuan, which was badly hit by an earthquake in 2008.

"I came away from our visit ... greatly impressed-impressed with your openness," Biden said. "It is my fond hope that our personal relationship will continue to grow."

Biden is expected to raise human rights issues, according to State Department spokeswoman Victoria Nuland, who said Wednesday in Washington that she believed Biden "will certainly eral." She did not give specifics.

But China's worries about the U.S. economy are the subtext for the five-day visit.

Beijing's biggest fear is a possible third round of bond-buying by the Federal Reserve, known as quantitative easing, or QE. It is supposed to push down interest rates and boost investment by injecting money into the economy, but Beijing worries that it will boost prices of commodities traded in dollars, fuel inflation and erode the value of its \$1.2 trillion in Treasury debt.

Xi said the financial crisis

meant the countries had to work closely together.

"I too believe that under the new situation, China and the United States have ever more extensive, common interests, and we shoulder ever more common responsibilities," he said.

Beijing has repeatedly appealed to Washington to protect foreign investors and the dollar. It has avoided publicly making specific demands, but this week's commentaries in the entirely statecontrolled press offered up advice focusing on longer-term reforms to cut its budget and trade deficits, raise savings and create jobs.







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sia (AP)—Oil prices eased to near \$87 a barrel Thursday in Asia on renewed concerns that the U.S. economy may weaken and hit fuel demand in the world's top crude consumer. Benchmark oil for September delivery was down 39 cents to \$87.19 a barrel at midday Kuala Lumpur time in electronic trading on the New York Mercantile Exchange. Crude rose 93 cents to settle at \$87.58 on Wednesday. In London, Brent crude for October delivery was down 21 cents to \$110.39 a barrel on the ICE Futures exchange.

French, German leaders urge elected eurozone chief

BRUSSELS (AP)—The leaders of France and Germany said Wednesday that they want the heads of the eurozone countries to elect the president of a new "economic government" who would direct regular summits to respond to the continent's financial crisis. For many in the mar-

kets, the proposal fell short of hopes: a grand plan to save the euro and, in particular, a sign the eurozone was moving toward a single bond issued by the 17 countries. French President Nicolas Sarkozy and German Chancellor Angela Merkel outlined their proposals in a letter to Herman Van Rompuy, president of the European Council. They said that they hoped Van Rompuy would get the job.

Chavez: Venezuela recalling \$11B in gold reserves

CARACAS, Venezuela (AP)—President Hugo Chavez announced Wednesday he is nationalizing Venezuela's gold mining industry and intends to bring home \$11 billion in gold reserves currently held in U.S. and European banks. He said the recall of the gold reserves is intended to help protect this oilproducing country from the economic woes in the United States and Europe. "We're going to start to bring back our gold to the Central Bank," Chavez said in a telephone call broadcast

live on state television.

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Nation

Obama's plan: New jobs proposals, challenging GOP

der fire in a nation desperate for jobs, President Barack Obama will soon announce a broad package of tax cuts, construction work and help for the millions of Americans who have been unemployed for months, a White House official said Wednesday. Republicans immediately cast doubt about any such plan, setting up a fresh economic showdown as the presidential campaign intensifies.

Obama will unveil his economic strategy in a speech right after Labor Day, hoping to frame the autumn jobs debate by pressuring Republicans in Congress to act or face the voters' wrath. The country is in a deep state of disgust about Washington politics, piling urgency on both parties to help the economy quickly—or somehow position the other side to take the blame.

To pay for his jobs ideas, Obama will challenge the new "super committee" in Congress to go well beyond its goal of outcome shaping the presiden- anywhere near that high. finding \$1.5 trillion in deficit reduction, with part of the savings used to cover some of his economy-jolting help without sinking the nation deeper in debt. But there, too, Obama already faces trouble from Republican members who have ruled out tax hikes.

It's all leading to a sharp cam-

tial and congressional elections in 2012.

Obama, as the most visible target for voter ire, is seeking re-election with unemployment north of 9 percent. No incumbent in recent times has won a sec-



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The final details of

Obama's new eco-

nomic plan have not

been decided, and it is

expected to be broad-

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program that goes beyond any infrastructure proposal Obama has had already, and targeted help for the particularly worrisome group of people who have remained unemployed for many months in a row.

A White House official confirmed those details to The Associated Press, on condition of anonymity bepaign for public opinion, the ond term with the jobless rate build-up-America construction cause the president has not

disclosed them publicly.

In Illinois on Wednesday, Obama broadly outlined his plans to help the fragile economy and have the costs covered as part of a broad plan to reduce the deficit. He pledged to present a specific way to do both to the super committee of lawmakers assigned to come up with such a deficit-slicing plan before Thanksgiving.

Joplin goes back to school 3 months after twister

JOPLIN, MO. (AP)—Seniors and juniors are taking classes in a converted big-box store. Freshmen and sophomores are in a building across town. The new middle school is in an industrial park.

Across Joplin, the schools are still a jumble, with books, computer monitors and unassembled furniture littering unfamiliar hallways. But as classes resumed Wednesday, students and teachers wel-

comed the start of another year as a return to something normal—or what passes for normal in a city crippled last spring by the nation's single deadliest tornado in six decades.

"You can't pretend like nothing happened," said high school English teacher Brenda White. "But everything is so new here. Every single thing that is this school is new and different."

The twister killed 160 people, injured hundreds more and destroyed thousands of buildings, including Joplin's only public high school. Now after months of cleaning up debris, attending funerals and trying to rebuild shattered lives, it was time to get back to pop quizzes and homework assignments.

"It's going to take a while to build everything back, but books are a good start," White said while stocking her classrooms with copies of "The Great Gatsby," "The Kite Runner" and other literary standards, past and present.

The school system was hit especially hard by the May 22 tornado. Seven students and one employee were among the victims, including a senior pulled from his car by winds on his way home from the Joplin High School graduation ceremony. Six school buildings were destroyed, including the high school. Seven other buildings were badly damaged.

ACROSS THE NATION

Loughner team focuses on mental illness in family

PHOENIX (AP)—The defense team for the suspect in the Tucson shooting rampage has interviewed at least one of their client's relatives and sought records on other family members as part of an effort to show that his family has a history of mental illness. Jared Lee Loughner's lawyers sent subpoenas to officials in Illinois seeking birth records and in some cases, death records, for nearly two dozen relatives on Loughner's mother's side of the family. They also sent a mitigation specialist to the Texas home of a Loughner relative to talk about mental health problems suffered by relatives.

3 deaths reported from water amoeba this summer

ATLANTA (AP)—Health officials say two children and a young adult have died this summer from a microscopic amoeba that lives in water. Most cases of the rare infection are caught while swimming in lakes or ponds. But Louisiana officials linked the June death of a young man to the tap water he used to flush out his sinuses. This month, a 16-yearold Florida teen fell ill after swimming and a 9-year-old Virginia boy died a week after he went to a fishing day camp.

New Noah's Ark in **Ky.** aims to prove truth of Bible

HEBRON, Ky. (AP)— Tucked away in a nondescript office park in northern Kentucky, Noah's followers are rebuilding his ark. The biblical wooden ship built to weather a worldwide flood was 500 feet long and about 80 feet high, according to Answers in Genesis, a Christian ministry devoted to a literal telling of the Old Testament. This modern ark, to be nestled on a plot of 800 acres of rolling Kentucky farmland, isn't designed to rescue the world's creatures from a coming deluge. It's to tell the world that the Bible's legendary flood story was not a fable, but a part of human history.

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Civil Action No. 05-0246B NOTICE OF AUCTION

ee simple land situated in San Jose Village, Tinian, Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, known as **Lot No. 002 T 03** (Formerly Block Lot 3) as shown on the Division of Lands and Surveys Official Cadastral Plat No. 002 T 00, dated August 20, 1969, and containing an area of 1,367 quare meters, more or less, including all improvements, appurtenances and easements therewith.

- square meters, more or less, including all improvements, appurtenances and easements therewith.

 The auction sale will be open to the general public and will be held at CDA's Conference Room, Saipan, at 2:00 p.m., on Friday, September 2, 2011, subject to the following announced terms and conditions:

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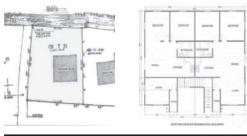
Ten percent (10%) of the purchase price must be paid on the day of the auction sale. The remaining balance will be due within ten (10) days of the auction sale. Terms of the sale are cash, credit card (MC and Visa only: 2% processing fee will be

charged on credit card payment) or certified check; and

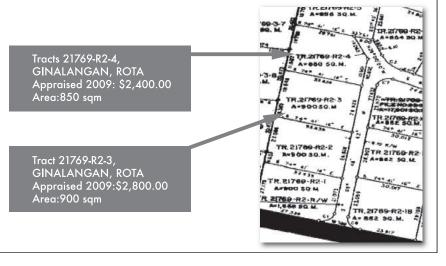
CDA reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to withdraw this notice and postpone the sale.

MANUEL A. SABLAN





MARPO, TINIAN (Duplex) Lot No. 131 T 31 Lot Size: 1,322 sqm Appraised 2008: \$70,000



SAIPAN TRIBUNE FRIDAY, AUGUST 19, 2011 **21**

Asia

NKorea threatens to bolster its nuclear arsenal

(AP)—North Korea threatened Wednesday to bolster its nuclear arsenal in response to annual U.S.-South Korean military drills that Pyongyang calls a rehearsal for invasion.

The North's warning came training is extremely provoc-

the United States and South Korea call Ulchi Freedom Guardian. The allies say the 11-day drills are purely defensive, but North Korea says the

er-simulated war games that attempts to promote peace on the Korean peninsula.

> Last month, diplomats from the United States and the two Koreas held tentative talks on restarting long-dormant negotiations aimed at ending Pyong-

on the second day of comput- ative and undermines recent yang's nuclear weapons pro- Foreign Ministry spokesman gram in exchange for aid and other concessions.

"The U.S. is staging exercises for a war of aggression against its dialogue partner, while putting up a signboard of dialogue," an unidentified North Korean

"It is self-evident that (North Korea) should put spurs to bolstering its nuclear deterrent for self-defense both in quality and quantity to cope with this situation," he said in a statement carried by the North's official Korean Central News Agency.

said Wednesday.

The statement didn't elaborate on how the North would strengthen its nuclear arsenal. The country has issued similar threats in the past when the United States and South Korea have conducted military drills.

North Korea is believed to

have enough plutonium for at least a half-dozen weapons and revealed last November that it has a uranium enrichment facility that could give it another way to make atomic bombs.

Tension on the Korean peninsula spiked last year after the North's alleged torpedoing of a South Korean warship and its deadly bombardment of a South Korean border island. A total of 50 South Koreans died.

The Korean peninsula remains technically in a state of war after the 1950s Korean War ended in a truce, not a peace treaty.

Indian leader lashes out at fasting protest head

NEW DELHI (AP)—Prime Minister Manmohan Singh accused India's most prominent anti-graft crusader on Wednesday of trying to circumvent democracy with a public fast, as tens of thousands across the country protested rampant government corruption.

Thousands of people supporting Anna Hazare's hunger strike marched through the capital from the India Gate memorial shouting "Anna, we are with you."

Delhi police arrested Hazare on Tuesday to block his plans for a public fast against corruption, but released him hours later. Hazare refused to leave the jailhouse, however, unless police allowed him to hold the hunger strike publicly and indefinitely.

Hundreds had camped overnight outside the Delhi jail. As Hazare and the police negotiated through Wednesday, the crowd swelled to thousands, chanting "Down with corruption" and "Hail Mother India."

The standoff has galvanized Indians fed up with seemingly endless bribery scandals and cronyism and has flustered Singh's beleaguered government.

Shouting over jeering opposition lawmakers, Singh told Parliament that Hazare was free to express his views, but was improperly usurping the role of elected representatives by trying to force them to pass his own draft legislation to create an anti-corruption watchdog.

"The path that he has chosen to impose his draft of a bill upon Parliament is totally misconceived and fraught with grave consequences for our parliamentary democracy," Singh said.

"Those who believe that their voice and their voice alone represents the will of 1.2 billion people should reflect deeply on that position," he said. "They must allow the elected representatives of the people in Parliament to do the job that they were elected for."

Delhi district court lawyers held a one-day strike to demand the judiciary also fall under the purview of any anti-corruption ombudsman.

Protests erupted in cities across India, with some demonstrators burning effigies of Singh, while others held yagna ceremonies-purification rituals using fire—to symbolically clean the government.

The protesters, many wearing headbands reading "I am Anna," crossed religious and caste lines and included rich and poor, students, the elderly, eunuchs, housewives, businessmen and the homeless.

LABOR DAY WEEKEND August 19th thru September 5th, 2011 Drive drunk and you will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law.

ASIAN BRIEFS

Gunfire, grenade attacks kill 10 in Pakistan

KARACHI, Pakistan (AP)— Gunfire and grenade attacks in Pakistan's largest city killed at least 10 people Wednesday, including a former national lawmaker, the latest deaths in a surge of violence in recent months, officials said. Fighting in Karachi, a sprawling port city of 18 million, has added to the political instability in the nuclear-armed, U.S.-allied nation and provided another distraction for the government as it fights a Taliban-led insurgent movement. It also undercuts Pakistan's struggling economy, because Karachi serves as the country's main commercial hub. Waja Kareem Dad, a former lawmaker from the ruling Pakistan People's Party, was gunned down Wednesday evening, said Sharfuddin Memon, the security adviser to the government of Sindh province, where Karachi is the capital. He was one of at least 10 people killed by gunfire and grenade attacks, Memon said.

Filipino Muslim rebels to disown radical commander

MANILA, Philippines (AP)—

The Philippines' largest Muslim rebel group has given a radical commander with hundreds of fighters a final warning to stop a mutiny or face expulsion, which would expose his breakaway force to possible military assaults. The Moro Islamic Liberation Front's central committee plans to issue a resolution declaring that Ameril Umbra Kato is no longer a member unless he returns to its fold, an unlikely prospect since he has rejected earlier calls to rejoin, the group's vice chairman Ghazali Jaafar said Wednesday.

Landslide kills 3 in **Philippine mining** village

ZAMBOANGA, Philippines (AP)—Officials say days of rain set off a landslide that killed three villagers in a remote goldmining community in the southern Philippines. Arturo Uy, governor of Compostela Valley province, says four other villagers were injured in Tuesday's accident in New Bataan township. He said Thursday that rescuers endured several hours of hiking through harsh hinterlands to bring the victims' bodies down from the mountainous region.

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World

Turkey prime minister compares Syrian leader to Gadhafi

ia's president to Libya's Moammar Gadhafi on Wednesday, as

prime minister compared Syr- calls to end the crackdown on a



SUBMISSION DATE: SEPTEMBER 07, 2011 • TIME: 2:00 P.M.

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THE COMPLETE SCOPE OF WORK FOR THIS PROJECT WILL BE AVAILABLE ON OR AFTER <u>AUGUST 05, 201</u>1 AND MAY BE PICKED UP AT THE OFFICE OF THE CHMI ARRA STATE LEAD, LOCATED AT THE MARIANAS BUSINESS PLAZA THIRD FLOOR, OFFICE 4315 OR REQUESTED WA E-MAIL TO techsupport_assistance@covery.gov.mu

A MANDATORY PRE-PROPOSAL CONFERENCE WILL BE HELD ON <u>AUGUST 23, 2011</u> AT <u>9:00 A.M. LOCAL TIME</u>, AT THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS MAIN OFFICE CONFERENCE ROOM, 2ND FLOOR, GUALO RAI COMMERCIAI BUILDING,

ALL QUESTIONS REGARDING THIS PROJECT SHOULD BE SUBMITTED IN WRITING VIA EMAIL TO techsupport_assistance@recovery.gov.mp OR FAXED TO (670) 234-3016 NO LATER THAN CLOSE OF BUSINESS AUGUST 25 2011.

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/S/ MARTIN C. SABLAN SECRETARY OF PUBLIC WORKS

/S/ THELMA B. INOS DIRECTOR, ENERGY DIV.

/S/ MICHAEL J. ADA CNMI ARRA STATE LEAD

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT FOR THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that under and by

virtue of a judgment made and entered in the above titled action on the 12th day of November, 2010, by the Superior Court of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana

Islands, to satisfy the amount found and adjudged due Plaintiff in the above titled

action from Defendants, as prescribed in the

judgment, the undersigned counsel or his designee will sell at public auction, to the

highest bidder, on the 16th day of September, 2011 at 10 a.m., at the Marianas Public Land

Trust Conference Room, Capitol Hill, Saipan, the premises and real estate, lying and being on Saipan, Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, described in said judgment,

Lot No. 011 G 915, containing an area of

929 square meters, more or less, as more particularly described on Drawing/Cadastral Plat No. 011 G 18,

the original of which was recorded on December 9, 1993 as Document No.

Terms and Conditions of Sale.

1. Rights and duties of Auctioneer. Consistent with the custom and usage and applicable laws of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands governing auction sales with reserve, the auctioneer or his designee shall have the following rights and duties in conducting the auction sale:

conducting the auction sale:
a) withdraw the property listed for sale in the public announcement before sale or before a bid for such

property is accepted. To adjourn the sale without notice at

any time before any specific property is sold, without incurring any liability

whatsoever thereby; and

c) To reject any and all bids.
Bids. Tentative bids may be submitted in advance for any and all of the property listed in the notice. Such bids shall not be binding, except that the highest of such bids will automatically be considered the opening bid for the property. Bids may be

opening bid for the property. Bids may be entered in person, in writing, or by telephone to Robert T. Torres, Attorney at

Law, Plata Drive, Chalan Kiya, P.O. Box 503758, Saipan, MP 96950, Phone: 670-234-7859; Fax: 670-234-5749; Email:

Deposit and Payment. A deposit of ten

percent (10%) of the purchase price must

be paid on the day of the auction sale. The remaining balance will be due within

ten days of the auction sale. All payments

must be made by cash, cashier's check, or

money order. Failure to make payment of

the remaining balance within ten days will result in forfeiture by the buyer of the 10% deposit, and any and all of the buyer's rights, title and interest in any of

Change of Terms. Auctioneer and MPLT reserve the right to change any of the terms of conduct an enforcement of

sale by announcement, written or oral,

made before the auction sale or at the

commencement thereof, and such change or changes, by virtue of this clause shall be binding on any buyer by

Inspection and No Warranty. Bidders are cautioned to inspect the title and property. Contact the Law Office of Robert T. Torres for scheduled viewing

and inspection times. The interests of the property are being sold "AS IS" and without warranty. Failure to inspect the

real property will not constitute a

ground for any claim, adjustment or

the property will revert to MPLT.

constructive notice.

rescission by any buyer.

/s/ Robert T. Torres, Auctioneer

DATED this 1st day of August, 2011.

No. 06-0329-CV

NOTICE OF AUCTION

Robert Tenorio Torres

(Chalan Kiva)

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Saipan, MP 96950

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MARIANAS PUBLIC LAND TRUST,

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/S/ HERMAN S. SABLAN DIRECTOR, P&S

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Attorney for Plaintiff

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT FOR THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS

MARIANAS PUBLIC LAND TRUST, **Civil Action** No. 06-0324-CV NOTICE OF AUCTION FRANCISCO A. AGUON and ROSALIA M. AGUON,

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that under and by virtue of a judgment made and entered in the above titled action on the 15th day of November, 2010, by the Superior Court of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, to satisfy the amount found and adjudged due Plaintiff in the above titled action from Defendants, as prescribed titled action from Defendants, as prescribed in the judgment, the undersigned counsel or his designee will sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, on the 16th day of September, 2011 at 10 a.m., at the Marianas Public Land Trust Conference Room, Capitol Hill, Saipan, the premises and real estate, lying and being on Saipan, Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, described in said judgment to wit.

Lot No. 011 G 1051, located on Saipan containing an area of 902 square meters, more or less, as shown on the Division of Lands and Survey's Plat No. 011 G 19 dated December 3, 1993 and recorded on December 9, 1993 as File No. 93-4287

- at the Commonwealth Recorder's Office.

 Terms and Conditions of Sale.

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 2. Bids, Tentative bids may be submitted in advance for any and all of the property listed in the notice. Such bids shall not be binding, except that the highest of such bids will automatically be considered the opening bid for the property. Bids may be entered in person, in writing, or by telephone to Robert T. Torres, Attorney at Law, Plata Drive, Chalan Kiya, P.O. Box 503758, Saipan, MP 96950, Phone: 670-234-7859; Fax: 670-234-5749; Email: rttlaw@pticom.com.

 3. Deposit and Payment. A deposit of ten
- Deposit and Payment. A deposit of ten percent (10%) of the purchase price must be paid on the day of the auction sale. The remaining balance will be due within ten days of the auction sale. All payments must be made by cash cashier's check, or money order. Failure to make payment of the remaining balance within ten davs will result in deposit, and any and all of the buyer's rights, title and interest in any of the property will revert to MPLT.
- <u>Change of Terms.</u> Auctioneer and MPLT reserve the right to change any of the terms of conduct an enforcement of sale oy announcement, written or oral, made before the auction sale or at the commencement thereof, and such change or changes, by virtue of this clause shall be binding on any buyer by
- Inspection and No Warranty. Bidders are cautioned to inspect the title and property. Contact the Law Office of Robert T. Torres for scheduled viewing and inspection times. The interests of the property are being sold "AS IS" and without warranty. Failure to inspect the real property will not constitute a ground for any claim, adjustment or rescission by any buyer. Inspection and No Warranty. Bidders are

DATED this 1st day of August, 2011.

/s/ Robert T. Torres, Auctionee

5-month-old uprising.

President Bashar Assad has

and snipers in an attempt to retake control in rebellious areas. The military assault has escalated dramatically since the start of the holy month of Ramadan in August, killing hundreds and detaining thousands.

"We made our calls (to Gadhafi) but unfortunately we got no result,"

Tayyip Erdogan said Wednesday. "The same thing is happening with Syria at the moment."

The conflict in Libya, which began a month before Syria's unrest, has descended into a civil war as Gadhafi defies calls to end the bloodshed.

On Wednesday, Erdogan said

BEIRUT (AP)—Turkey's Damascus defied international unleashed tanks, ground troops Turkish Prime Minister Recep he personally spoke to Assad and Europe in imposing sanctions. sent his foreign minister to Damascus, but "despite all of this, they are continuing to strike civilians." Turkey, a neighbor and former close ally of Syria, has been increasingly frustrated with Damascus' crackdown. But Turkey, Syria's most important trade partner, has not joined the U.S. and

With tension rising, the U.N. said it has temporarily withdrawn about two dozen "nonessential" international staff from Syria because of security concerns. U.N. deputy spokesman Farhan Haq also said some family members of U.N. staff have been relocated to other countries.

WORLD BRIEFS

Spain: Student plotted attack on anti-Pope crowd

MADRID (AP)—A chemistry student working as a volunteer for the pope's visit to Madrid was arrested on suspicion of planning a gas attack targeting protesters opposed to the pontiff's stay, officials said Wednesday. Pope Benedict XVI is due to arrive Thursday for a nearly four-day visit to celebrate World Youth Day, and thousands of protest-

ers railing against his visit staged their march Wednesday night to Madrid's central Sol plaza where they have held months of demonstrations against Spanish politicians and the government's antiausterity policies. A police official said the suspect arrested in Madrid Tuesday is a 24-year-old Mexican student specializing in organic chemistry. She would not say whether investigators believe the man was actually capable of carrying out a gas attack, and

chemicals that could have been used to assault the protesters.

did not know if he actually had

London police charge 1,000th person in riots probe

LONDON (AP)-London police force say more than 1,000 people have now been charged in the unrest that rocked the capital for four days, as human rights groups reiterated concerns that the sentences being handed out

nationwide are disproportionate. Acting chief Tim Godwin issued a statement Wednesday that said while hitting the 1,000-charged milestone is significant, the investigation is ongoing. He urged the public to turn in anyone involved in the disorder. "Don't let them get away with it," he said. U.K. police have arrested more than 3,000 people over riots that erupted Aug. 6 in north London and flared for four nights across the capital and other English cities.





"SUPPLY, DELIVERY AND INSTALLATION OF SOLAR PV EQUIPMENT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, ENERGY DIVISION"

THE COMPLETE SCOPR OF WORK WILL BE AVAILABLE ON AUGUST 05, 2011 AT THE OFFICE OF THE CNMI ARRA STATE LEAD, THIRD (3RD) FLORR, MARIANAS BUSINESS PLAZA #315, SUSUPE, SAIPAN OR REQUESTED VIA EMAIL TO solarpvs@recovery.gov.mp DURING REGULAR WORKING HOURS.

A MANDATORY WALK THROUGH IS SCHEDULED FOR AUGUST 22-23, 2011 STARTING AT 9:00 A.M., LOCAL TIME.

ALL QUESTIONS REGARDING THIS PROJECT MUST BE SUBMITTED IN WRITING NO LATER THAN 4:30 P.M., LOCAL TIME ON AUGUST 26, 2011 VIA E-MAIL TO solarpvs@recovery.gov.mp

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HERMAN S. SABLAN DIRECTOR, PROCUREMENT & SUPPLY

Aruba probes insurance in missing tourist case ORANJESTAD, Aruba

(AP)-A U.S. tourist detained in the presumed death of his travel companion had an insurance policy that covered the missing woman, a prosecutor said Wednesday. Gary Giordano mentioned the travel insurance during questioning, but authorities haven't determined whether it is relevant to their investigation into the disappearance of 35-year-old Robyn Gardner, Solicitor General Taco Stein told The Associated Press. The policy included both travelers, but it wasn't clear whether it covered Gardner's accidental death, Stein said. Nor was it clear who was the beneficiary.

Notice of Zoning Board Meeting

The regular monthly meeting of the Zoning Board will be held on Thursday, September 1, 2011 at 5:00 PM, Zoning Office, 2nd Floor, Joeten DanDan Commercial Bldg., Saipar

Preliminary Matters

- Call to Order
- Adoption of Agenda
- Adoption of August 4, 2011 minutes
- Public Comments

Public Hearings

- Rezone Application #2011-1405: Mr. Joseph M. Pangelinan of LLC Enterprises is requesting to rezone lots # 008 H 03, 008 H 04, 008 H 05, and 008 H 06 from "Village Residential" to "Village Commercial". Mr. Pangelinan wishes to construct a four-unit apartment building. This area is located between Barbara and Carmen Avenues just north of the Chalan Kanoa U.S. Post Office
- Rezone Application #2011-1452: Mr. Li Xiang Ming is requesting to rezone lot 550New-8-R1 from "Mixed Commercial" to "Industrial", for the manufacturing of concrete hollow blocks. This area is located along Afetnas Road, San Antonio.

Communications/ Reports

Old Business.

New Business

Update on SZL text amendments

Office operations report

Executive (Closed) Session.

Miscellaneous: Other Matters, Announcements, Next Meeting, Adjourn

For questions or access to materials to be considered at the Board meeting, or if you require assistance, please contact Therese T. Ogumoro, Acting Zoning Administrator, at 234-9661. This notice is provided pursuant to Public Law 6-32, as amended (2 CMC 7201, et seq. & 10 CMC 3511, et seq.).

Diego C. Blanco, Zoning Board Chairman



SAIPAN TRIBUNE FRIDAY, AUGUST 19, 2011 **23**



Commonwealth Utilities Corporation Office of the Executive Director INVITATION FOR BIDS



CUC-IFB-11-047

QA / QC OF A NEW 500,000 GAL. DIESEL FUEL TANK AT PP 1, SAIPAN

The Office of the Executive Director, Commonwealth Utilities Corporation (CUC) is soliciting competitive sealed bids from qualified and experienced third party inspection firms to provide CUC or the Construction Manager (CM), "Quality Control (QC) and Quality Assurance (QA) Services" during the preparation of a new foundation, fabrication, assembly, installation and commissioning the tank and connected pipeline, if any, as per the specifications contained in the bid document.

The new foundation, tank and accessories have been designed by a U S based company and will be supplied to Saipan port. CUC will pay for the customs clearance and delivery, freight costs to a designated location at the power plant site, which will be agreed between CUC and the winning contractor. The current schedule for delivery for the new tank to Saipan is 10th September, 2011. CUC will ensure that such schedules are promptly communicated to the contractor as soon as soon as they are aware of any change in the schedule so that sufficient and reasonable notice is available to the contractor for their actions. CUC requires the Construction Project to be completed in 180 calendar days from date of award of contract,

The Bid Package and Scope-of-Work may be picked-up, upon receipt of a deposit (non-refundable) from the CUC Treasury Section, by cash, check, in the **amount of \$ 100.00 for one set**; at the CUC, Procurement & Supply Office, 3rd Floor, Room 4, Joeten Dandan Commercial Building, Dandan, Saipan, between 7:30 AM to 11:30 AM and 12:30 PM to 4:00 PM, Monday through Friday, except on government observed holidays, until August 22, 2011.

A Pre-Bid Conference followed by a Site Visit will be held on <u>August 15, 2011 at 9:00 AM (ChST)</u> at the CUC Power Plant Conference Room, Lower Base, Saipan. Attendance is not mandatory.

One (1) original and Seven (7) copies must be submitted in a sealed envelope marked "CUC-IFB 11 - 047 - QA / QC OF A NEW 500,000 GAL. DIESEL FUEL TANK AT PP 1, SAIPAN" to the CUC Procurement & Supply Office, 3rd Floor, Room No. 4, Joeten Dandan Commercial Building, P.O. Box 501220, Saipan, MP 96950, no later than 10:00 AM (ChST) on August 30, 2011, at which time they will be publicly opened and read aloud. Bids mailed via postal or courier service must be received on or before due date and time. Late submissions and conditional bids will not be considered. Bid shall be submitted on the provided Bid Forms. Bidders are required to complete all Bid Forms, without alteration. Bidders may supplement this form with additional explanation, as appropriate. Bids will be required to be submitted under a condition of irrevocability for a period of 30 days after submission. All bidders are advised that CUC assumes no responsibility in any act of omission on the part of the bidders due to lack of information or understanding of the bid requirements in the course of Contractor's preparation of a bid under the contract.

Bidders are required to comply with all CNMI and applicable Federal Laws. This bid and the ensuing contract shall be executed pursuant to the CUC Procurement Regulations.

All questions or request for clarification regarding this project must be submitted in writing no later than 10:00 AM (ChST) on August 24, 2011 to Mr. Manny B. Sablan, Jr., CUC Purchasing Officer, via email - msablan@cucgov.net with a copy to Mr. Venugopal Prabhakara, Managing Engineer, PG, via email - venu@cucgov.net and Ms. Janina Mika Muna, Procurement & Supply, Administrative Support Assistant - mika_muna@cucgov.net.

CUC reserves the right to reject any or all bids and waive any imperfection in the bid proposal in the best interest of the government. All bids shall become the property of CUC.

ABE UTU MALAE Executive Director



Commonwealth Utilities Corporation Office of the Executive Director INVITATION FOR BIDS



CUC-IFB-11-046

INSTALLATION OF A NEW 500,000 GAL. DIESEL FUEL TANK AT PP 1, SAIPAN

The Office of the Executive Director, Commonwealth Utilities Corporation (CUC) is soliciting competitive sealed bids from qualified and experienced engineering firms for preparation of a new foundation, fabrication, assembly, installation and commissioning a new Above Ground Oil Storage Tank (AST), as per the specifications contained in the bid document and monitored through a construction management firm and/or a third party quality control firm, contracted by CUC.

The new foundation, tank and accessories have been designed by a U S based company and will be supplied to Saipan port. CUC will pay for the customs clearance and delivery, freight costs to a designated location at the power plant site, which will be agreed between CUC and the winning contractor. The current schedule for delivery for the new tank to Saipan is 10th September, 2011. CUC will ensure that such schedules are promptly communicated to the contractor as soon as soon as they are aware of any change in the schedule so that sufficient and reasonable notice is available to the contractor for their actions. CUC requires the Project to be completed in 180 calendar days from date of award of contract.

The Bid Package and Scope-of-Work may be picked-up, upon receipt of a deposit (non-refundable) from the CUC Treasury Section, by cash, check, in the amount of \$ 250.00 for one set; at the CUC, Procurement & Supply Office, 3rd Floor, Room 4, Joeten Dandan Commercial Building, Dandan, Saipan, between 7:30 AM to 11:30 AM and 12:30 PM to 4:00 PM, Monday through Friday, except on government observed holidays, until August 22, 2011

A Pre-Bid Conference followed by a Site Visit will be held on <u>August 15, 2011 at 9:00 AM (ChST)</u> at the CUC Power Plant Conference Room, Lower Base, Saipan. Attendance is not mandatory.

One (1) original and Seven (7) copies must be submitted in a sealed envelope marked "CUC IFB 11-046 -INSTALLATION OF A NEW 500,000 GAL. DIESEL FUEL TANK AT PP 1, SAIPAN" to the CUC Procurement & Supply Office, 3rd Floor, Room No. 4, Joeten Dandan Commercial Building, P.O. Box 501220, Saipan, MP 96950, no later than 10:00 AM (ChST) on August 31, 2011, at which time they will be publicly opened and read aloud. Bids mailed via postal or courier service must be received on or before due date and time. Late submissions and conditional bids will not be considered. Bid shall be submitted on the provided Bid Forms. Bidders are required to complete all Bid Forms, without alteration. Bidders may supplement this form with additional explanation, as appropriate. Bids will be required to be submitted under a condition of irrevocability for a period of 30 days after submission.

All bidders are advised that CUC assumes no responsibility in any act of omission on the part of the bidders due to lack of information or understanding of the bid requirements in the course of Contractor's preparation of a bid under the contract.

A Bid Guarantee of 15 percent of the total bid price must accompany the bids. The security deposit may be in cash, certified check, cashier's check, or bid bond executed by a surety company holding a certificate of authority from the United States Secretary of Treasury as an acceptable surety or other surety acceptable to the Attorney General. A Performance Bond of one hundred (100%) percent of the total proposal price will be required upon the execution of the contract by the successful bidders. Surety company must be authorized to do business in the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands or otherwise secured in a manner satisfactory to CUC. A Payment Bond of one hundred (100%) percent of the total proposal price will be required upon the execution of the contract by the successful bidders. Surety Company must be authorized to do business in the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands or otherwise secured in a manner satisfactory to CUC, for the protection of all persons supplying labor and material to the contractor or its subcontractors for the performance of the work provided for in the contract.

All insurers questions, concerns and qualification be should handled by the Department of Commerce Office of the Insurance Commissioner (OIC). The OIC is tasked with regulating and monitoring compliance to the CNMI's Insurance Code (Title 4, Division 7). Bidders are required to submit a clearance from the OIC certifying their insurer of choice is in compliance with the CNMI's Insurance Code. Bidders are required to comply with all CNMI and applicable Federal Laws. This bid and the ensuing contract shall be executed pursuant to the CUC Procurement Regulations.

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ABE UTU MALAE
Executive Director



Commonwealth Utilities Corporation Office of the Executive Director



REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS CUC-RFP-11-036

GASIFICATION OR WASTE TO ENERGY GENERATION

The Office of the Executive Director, Commonwealth Utilities Corporation (CUC) is soliciting competitive sealed proposals from qualified and experienced Independent Power Producers (IPP), to supply electrical energy or synthetic diesel - produced from commercially proven Waste to Energy (WTE) or Gasification systems, for the Commonwealth Utilities Corporation, Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.

CUC seeks responses from qualified developers from which the CUC intends to select one respondent to negotiate Power Purchase Agreements (PPA) and install Gasification or Waste to Energy generation facilities that best fit the CUC's requirements. Municipal Solid Waste (MSW) will be the feedstock.

The Scope of Services requested in the Request for Proposal shall include, but not be limited to, securing sites, all permits and approvals from governing agencies, and providing all labor, services and equipment necessary to design, procure, install, construct, test, commission, monitor, operate, and maintain fully operational Gasification or Waste to Energy Generating Facilities. Selected IPP(s) will be responsible for operating and maintaining all facets of the Generating Facility (ies) and for generating the required output as described in the Request for Proposal.

The RFP package and Scope-of-Service will be e-mailed to all interested Offeror, upon receipt of a non-refundable payment to the CUC Treasury Section, by cash, check, in the amount of \$ 200.00 for one set; by the CUC, Procurement & Supply Office, 3rd Floor, Room 4, Joeten Dandan Commercial Building, Dandan, Saipan, between 7:30 AM to 11:30 AM and 12:30 PM to 4:00 PM, Monday through Friday, except on government observed holidays.

A Pre-proposal Conference will be held on <u>June 21, 2011 at 10:00 AM (ChST)</u>, at the CUC Main Conference Room, 3rd Floor, Room No. 4, Joeten Dandan Commercial Building, Dandan, Saipan, Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.

One (1) original and Six (6) copies must be submitted in a sealed envelope marked "CUC-RFP-11-036" Gasification or Waste to Energy Generation" to CUC Procurement & Supply Division, 3rd Floor, Room No.4, Joeten Dandan Commercial Building, P.O.Box 501220, Dandan, Saipan MP 96950, no later than August 30, 2011 at 10:00 AM (ChST). A copy of the entire submission is also required to be sent by email to Mr. Manuel B. Sablan, Jr. Purchasing Officer via email address msablan@cucgov.net and Janina Muna, Procurement & Supply Administrative Assistant via email address mika_muna@cucgov.net or alternately include a CD with each copy of the submission. Proposals mailed via postal or courier service must be received on or before due date and time or post-marked before due date and time. Late submissions and conditional offers will not be considered. Late submissions will not be considered.

All inquiries must be submitted in writing no later than 10:00 AM (ChST) on **July 19, 2011** to Mr. Manuel B. Sablan, Jr. Purchasing Officer via email address msablan@cucgov.net; Ms. Janina Muna, Procurement & Supply Administrative Assistant via email address mika_muna@cucgov.net; and Mr. Wallon Young, Deputy Director, Power Generation/Distribution, via email address wallon59@yahoo.com. CUC will respond to any questions and clarifications only to prospective offerors who have registered with the CUC Procurement & Supply Division for the solicitation.

This Request for Proposal does not commit CUC to the award of a contract or contracts, nor to pay any cost incurred in the preparation and submission of proposals in anticipation of a contract. Selection procedure shall be in full compliance with CUC Procurement Regulations. The contractor shall be required to comply with all CNMI and applicable Federal Laws. CUC reserves the right to reject any or all proposals and waive any imperfection in the Request for Proposal in the best interest of the government. All proposals shall become the property of CUC.

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Commonwealth Utilities Corporation



Office of the Executive Director

CUC-IFB-11-053 SUPPLY & DELIVERY OF POWER DISTRIBUTION MATERIALS

INVITATION FOR BIDS

The Office of the Executive Director for the Commonwealth Utilities Corporation (CUC) is soliciting competitive sealed bids from qualified firms for the Supply and Delivery of Power Distribution Materials for the Talafofo Overhead Power Line Extension Project, Saipan, Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.

The Bid Package may be obtained, upon receipt of a non-refundable payment from the CUC Treasury Section, by cash or check, in the amount of \$100.00 for one set; at the CUC, Procurement & Supply Office, 3rd Floor, Room No. 4, Joeten Dandan Commercial Building, Dandan, Saipan, between 7:30 AM to 11:30 AM and 12:30 PM to 4:00 PM, Monday through Friday, except on government observed holidays.

One (1) original and Five (5) copies must be submitted in a sealed envelope marked "CUC-IFB-11-053, Supply & Delivery of Power Distribution Materials", to the CUC Procurement & Supply Office, 3rd Floor, Room No. 4, Joeten Dandan Commercial Building, P.O. Box 501220, Saipan, MP 96950, no later than 10:00 AM. (ChST) on September 20, 2011 at which time they will be publicly opened and read aloud. A copy of the entire submission is also required to be sent by email to Janina Muna, Procurement & Supply Administrative Assistant via email address mika_muna@cucgov.net or alternately include a CD with each copy of the submission. Bids mailed via postal or courier service must be received on or before due date and time or post-marked before due date and time. Late submissions and conditional offers will not be considered.

A Bid Guarantee of 15 percent of the total bid price must accompany the bids. The security deposit may be in cash, certified check, cashier's check, or bid bond executed by a surety company holding a certificate of authority from the United States Secretary of Treasury as an acceptable surety or other surety acceptable to the Attorney General. A Payment and Performance Bond of one hundred (100%) percent of the total bid price will be required upon the execution of the contract by the successful bidders. Surety company must be authorized to do business in the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands or otherwise secured in a manner satisfactory to CUC.

All insurers questions, concerns and qualification be should handled by the Department of Commerce Office of the Insurance Commissioner (OIC). The OIC is tasked with regulating and monitoring compliance to the CNMI's Insurance Code (Title 4, Division 7). Bidders are required to submit a clearance from the OIC certifying their insurer of choice is in compliance with the CNMI's Insurance Code.

All bidders are advised that CUC assumes no responsibility in any act of omission on the part of the bidders due to lack of information or understanding of the bid requirements in the course of Contractor's preparation of a bid or supply under the contract.

The IFB does not commit CUC to award a contract, to pay any cost incurred in the preparation of the bid under this request, or to procure or contract for goods.

Bidders will also be required to comply with all CNMI and applicable Federal Laws. This bid and the ensuing contract shall be executed as per the CUC Procurement Regulations.

All questions regarding this project must be submitted in writing no later than 10:00 AM (ChST) local time on <u>September 2, 2011</u> to Mr. Manny B. Sablan, Jr., CUC Purchasing Officer, via email - msablan@cucgov.net with a copy to Mr. Alfredo Palattao, Power Division Engineer via email alfredo_palattao@cucgov.net and Ms. Janina Mika Muna, Admin. Support Assistant. Procurement & Supply - mika muna@cucgov.net.

CUC reserves the right to reject any or all bids and waive any imperfection in the bid proposal in the best interest of the government. All bids shall become the property of CUC.

ABE UTU MALAE Executive Director **24** FRIDAY, AUGUST 19, 2011 SAIPAN TRIBUNE

Off The Wall

OFFBEAT BRIEFS

Missing Ohio ballpark statue found at police dept.

TOLEDO, Ohio (AP)—A bronze statue of a little girl reported stolen from an Ohio minor league ballpark has been found safe, in a police property room. The Blade newspaper reports two Toledo officers found the statue on the sidewalk early Saturday about 20 yards from its usual spot. Their report says they took it away to protect it. Sunday evening, the Toledo Mud Hens noticed the statue

missing from outside Fifth Third Field and filed a theft report. The city's arts commission was relieved to learn Monday that it was not taken by scrap metal thieves. The statue is one of four in a piece depicting four life-size children trying to look through knotholes in a ballpark fence. It's not clear why it was unbolted and moved.

Miss. man buys 150 pizzas from Mass. restaurant STOUGHTON, Mass. (AP)—

A Mississippi man who grew up in Massachusetts goes to great lengths for a good pizza. About 1,400 miles. David Schuler returned to Jackson, Miss., last weekend with 150 pies from Town Spa Pizza, a restaurant in his home town of Stoughton, just outside Boston. It's a tradition he started years ago when he couldn't find a good slice in Mississippi. He returned with 150 frozen, vacuum-sealed pies. That was a record for him. They cost \$1,200. He made the 16-state trek in 24

hours, munching on Town Spa pizzas he kept on the passenger seat. Restaurant manager Kerry Hughes tells The Enterprise of Brockton he ships pizzas as far as California and Florida, but Schuler is his best out-of-state customer.

Giant rodent native to South America seen in Calif.

PASO ROBLES, Calif. (AP)—A giant rodent native to South America has been spotted roaming in a city on California's Central Coast. Workers at a Paso Robles sewage treatment plant captured photos of the capybara swimming in the water storage pond before making its way to-

ward the Salinas River late last month, The Tribune of San Luis Obispo reported Wednesday. The California Department of Fish and Game estimates the capybara weighs about 100 to 120 pounds and may be the same one seen at a ranch about a mile from the treatment plant a few years ago. Known as the world's largest rodent, capybaras have brown hair, short heads and barrel-shaped bodies. It's illegal in California to keep a capybara as a pet.

Swedish house up for sale, complete with skeleton

STOCKHOLM (AP)—A Swedish real estate agent has an unusual piece of property up

for sale: a five-bedroom house, complete with medieval tomb and skeleton in the cellar. The central Visby town house on the Baltic Sea island of Gotland was built in 1750 on the foundations of a Russian church. The kitchen lies on the presbytery, and the tomb containing the skeleton—visible through a glass panel—is in the cellar. The real estate agency's owner Leif Bertwig says there is no reason to be afraid as the skeleton "lies in consecrated soil and rests in peace." Bertwig said Wednesday the remains likely belong to a Russian man who died some 800 years ago. The starting price for the house all included—is 4.1 million kronor (\$640,000).



NORTHERN MARIANAS HOUSING CORPORATION

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL NMHC RFP 2011-011



TO NAME OF

Financial & Compliance Audit for FY 2011 & 2012

(This ad is paid for by NMHC with HUD funds.)

The Corporate Director of the Northern Marianas Housing Corporation (NMHC), a subsidiary corporation of the Commonwealth Development Authority (CDA) is soliciting sealed proposals to perform a financial and compliance audit of NMHC for the fiscal years ending September 30, 2011 and 2012. This procurement is being conducted pursuant to CNMI Procurement Regulations (NMIAC Chapter 70-30.3, specifically § 70-30.3-210).

One (1) original and three (3) copies of the proposal shall be submitted in a sealed envelope marked/stamped "Confidential" and labeled "NMHC RFP 2011-011," for FY 2011 and 2012 Audit Proposal to the Division of Procurement and Supply, Lower Base, Saipan, MP 96950, no later than 10:00 a.m., September 30, 2011.

The audit guidelines and specifications for this audit may be picked up at the Northern Marianas Housing Corporation (NMHC) Central Office in Garapan, Saipan, MP 96950 during normal working hours from 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, except CNMI Holidays. Inquiries may be directed to Jocelyn S. Kaipat, Office Manager, at telephone numbers (670) 234-6866/7689, fax 234-9021 or email jskaipat@nmhcgov.net.

/S/ JOSHUA T. SASAMOTO Corporate Director /S/ HERMAN S. SABLAN
Director, Procurement & Supply



COMMONWEALTH OF THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS

PA/HMGP/CIP PROGRAM – OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR Caller Box 10007, Saipan, MP 96950 Tel.: (670) 664-2375 • Fax: (670) 664-2408

REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS RFQ11-GOV-134

A&E REDESIGN of the THE PUERTO RICO DUMP CLOSURE

Governor Benigno R. Fitial and Lieutenant Governor Eloy S. Inos, through the Capital Improvement Office, (collectively, "Commonwealth") are soliciting sealed proposals from qualified consultants to provid Architectural & Engineering re-design of the Puerto Rico Dump Closure Project located on Saipan, Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.

Proposal procedures shall be in full compliance with the CNMI Procurement Regulations, dated May 24, 2001, or latest revision thereof. Public Law 15-95 Local Preference Act, as amended by Public Law 15-118 does not apply to this Federally funded project. All wage rates for employees performing the work, labor and services on this project shall be paid at the current U.S. prevailing wage rates established for the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands (CNMI).

The complete Scope of Work for the A&E services required will be available on Wednesday, August 24, 2011, at the Governor's CIP Administrator's Office, Juan A. Sablan Administration Building, Capitol Hill, Saipan, CNMI. A non-refundable payment of Fifty Dollars (US \$50.00) is required for each set. Payment must be made to the CNMI Treasurer and a receipt of payment must be presented when obtaining the Scope of Work at the CIP Office, Juan A. Sablan Administration Building, Capitol Hill. Questions regarding the RFQ must be submitted in writing to Mr. James R. Stump, CIP Contracting Officer, or fax to (670) 664-2408, no later than 4 p.m. ChST September 05, 2011.

Proposers must submit with their proposal a Project Approach and a Schedule of Completion, addressing the Scope of Work requirements with details of how the work will be performed and accomplished by the consultants, with the names of the responsible persons identified. Proposers shall also submit a statement of qualifications with resumes and experience for the responsible persons. The total proposal length shall not exceed fifty (50) pages in length, inclusive of resumes and previous project discriptions. Note that a firm which submits a proposal as a prime consultant, cannot also submit as a subcontractor on another proposal. However, as a subcontractor, the consultant may be included in multiple proposals by different consultants.

Proposals will be evaluated and scored based on the following criteria:

- 1. Qualifications and Background of the Company(s) and proposed assigned personnel 25%
- Past experience of the consultant on design of similar projects 2
 Project Approach and Schedule for Completion 2
- l. Demonstrated capability of ability to perform the work required

Performance time for completion of the A&E redesign is One Hundred Sixty (160) calendar days upon issuance of a Notice to Proceed. Liquidated damages will be assessed and shall be the greater of (i) two hundred dollars (US\$200.00), or (ii) two percent (2%) of the contract price divided by the number of calendar days of the contract time, the contract time and contract price being determined at the time of the assessment of liquidated damages for each and every day beyond the established completion date.

Discussions shall be conducted with the top three ranked (3) firms. After a selection is made negotiations will be conducted with the highest qualified firm to determine the final fair and reasonable price of the contract for the work to be performed. The successful proposers will be subjected to a responsibility and responsiveness determination in compliance with Section 3-301 of the CNMI Procurement Regulations.

Proposals must be sealed and marked "RFQ11-GOV-134, A&E ReDesign of the Puerto Rico Dump Closure Project". For proposers within the CNMI, one original and five (5) copies of the proposals must be submitted to the Director of Procurement and Supply, Lower Base, Saipan, MP, no later than 10:00 a.m. ChST, September 19, 2011. Proposers located outside the CNMI may obtain an additional seven (7) working days for receipt of their proposal by submitting a Notice of Intent to Propose. Notices of Intent to Propose must be received by the Director of Procurement and Supply no later than 10:00 a.m. ChST, September 19, 2011, and may be transmitted via facsimile to (670) 664-1515, or via e-mail to procurement@pticom.com. For proposers located outside the CNMI, one original and five (5) copies of the sealed proposals must be postmarked by the U.S. Postal service or the official government postal service of a foreign country no later than, September 19, 2011, and must be received by the Director of Procurement and Supply no later than September 28, 2011 ChST. Note that failure to submit the required number of copies of the proposal may be cause for rejection of a proposal.

The Commonwealth reserves the right to reject any or all proposals and to waive any imperfections in any proposal if, in its opinion to do so would be in the best interests of the CNMI government. All proposals shall become the sole property of the CNMI government.

/s/ Eloy S. Inos, Lt. Governor /s/ Herman S. Sablan, Director of Procurement & Supply



COMMONWEALTH PORTS AUTHORITY

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Francisco C. Ada/Saipan International Airport Drainage System Improvement/Upgrade AIP No. 3-69-0002-62/65/67 (CPA-SA-003-09)

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

COMMONWEALTH PORTS AUTHORITY (CPA) is inviting qualified contractors to submit their qualifications and bid proposals for the DRAINAGE SYSTEM IMPROVEMENT/ UPGRADE, FRANCISCO C. ADA SAIPAN INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT, COMMONWEALTH OF THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS, AIP NO. 3-69-0002-62/65/67, CPA-SA-003-09.

Sealed Proposals will be received at the office of the Executive Director, Commonwealth Ports Authority, at Francisco C. Ada/Saipan International Airport, at 2:00 PM, AUGUST 26, 2011, at which time and place the sealed proposals will be publicly opened and read.

The Project, in general, consists of the Drainage System Improvement/Upgrade to include the replacement of the damaged roof waterproofing with existing insulation board and diversion of the roof drain all in accordance with the plans and specifications.

The Project is being financed by funds from U.S. Federal Aviation Administration. The contract award, if it is to be made, will be made within sixty (60) calendar days from the receipt of bids. CPA reserves the right to hold such bids in effect for ninety (90) calendar days from the date of bid opening.

The contract period for construction of the project shall be in 240 calendar days. The contractor shall be assessed with the liquidated damages in the amount of \$500/day if the completion of the Project is delayed beyond the contract time without excuse.

The apparent low bidder may be subject to a thorough and comprehensive review of its qualifications and Bid Documents to ensure that they are "responsive and responsible." This review will include, but is not necessarily limited to previous project experience, financial capabilities, quality of equipment and personnel, and bonding and insurance. If the apparent low bidder is found not to be "responsive or responsible", their bid will be rejected and the next lowest bidder will be evaluated for qualifications.

All mechanics and laborers on the project shall be paid no less than the minimum wage rate established by the CNMI or the U.S. Secretary of Labor, whichever is higher. A copy of the Department of the Federal Labor Wage Rate Determination is included in Section GP 70-24 of the specifications.

Each bidder must complete, sign, and furnish the "Bidder's Statement on Previous Contracts Subject to EEO Clause", a "Certification of Nonsegregated Facilities", and the "Assurance of Disadvantaged Business Enterprises Participation", as contained in the bid proposal documents, with the submission of the Bid Proposal.

Bid proposal and contract documents including plans and specifications, may be obtained at the Office of the Executive Director, Commonwealth Ports Authority, Francisco C. Ada/Saipan International Airport, P.O. Box 501055, Saipan, MP 96950, upon the payment of **ONE HUNDRED FIFTY DOLLARS (\$150.00**) for each set of plan documents in electronic form (CD) including the bid schedule. This payment is nonrefundable. Payment shall be made in cash, cashier's check or U.S. postal money order payable to the Commonwealth Ports Authority.

A pre-bid conference will be held at the CONFERENCE ROOM, Francisco C. Ada/Saipan International Airport, 10:00 AM, AUGUST 12, 2011, to explain and clarify any questions regarding this project. A site visit will follow right after the pre-bid conference. Attendance is mandatory to all prospective bidders. Questions should be submitted to the Executive Director, Commonwealth Ports Authority, in writing, at least seven (7) days prior to the pre-bid conference. Contractors are required to attend the pre-bid meeting.

Each proposal shall be on a form furnished by the Commonwealth Ports Authority. The bidders are encouraged to use the CD bid schedule form. The Commonwealth Ports Authority reserves the right to reject any or all bid proposals submitted for: (a) any of the reasons set forth in this Notice to Bidders; or (b) any of the reasons set forth in the CPA Procurement Rules and Regulations regarding bid rejection or cancellation; (c) any calculation error made in the bid schedule or misenter the quantity of line item; or (d) sufficient justification exists that awarding the project contract would not be in the best interest of CPA. CPA further reserves the right to waive any defects in said bids if in its sole opinion to do so would be in CPA's best interest.

The proposed contract is under and subject to Executive Order 11246, as amended by Executive Order 11375 dated October 13, 1977, and Section 60-1.4(b) of the regulations of the Secretary of Labor (41 CFR 60-1) as implemented by Section 152.61 of the Federal Aviation Regulations, and to the Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO) and Federal Labor provisions.

All labor on the project shall be paid no less than the minimum wage rates established by CNMI Law or Federal Law, whichever is higher. The Contractor shall take into account minimum wage increases that may be imposed in the CNMI over the life of the Contract.

Each bidder must supply all information required by the bid proposal documents and specifications.

The EEO requirements, labor provisions, and wage rates are included in the specifications, and bid proposal documents are available for inspection at the Commonwealth Ports Authority.

A contractor having 50 or more employees and any subcontractor having 50 or more employees and who may be awarded a contract of Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000.00) or more, will be required to maintain an affirmative action program, the standards for which are contained in the specifications. To be eligible for award, each bidder must comply with the affirmative action requirements.

In accordance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, minority business enterprises will be afforded full opportunity to submit proposals in response to this invitation and will not be discriminated against, on the grounds of race, color, or national origin in consideration for an award of any contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement.

Women will be afforded equal opportunity in all areas of employment. However, the employment of women shall not diminish the standards or requirements for employment of minorities.

Each bid shall be accompanied by either a bid bond by US Treasury listed surety company, a certified check, or a cashier's check in the amount not less than **ten percent (10%)** of the bid price. Checks shall be made payable to the Commonwealth Ports Authority.

The proposed contract is under and subject to the foreign trade restrictions required by 49 CFR Part 30, Denial of Public Works Contracts to Supplier of Goods and Services of Countries that Deny Procurement Market Access to U.S. Contractors.

The Aviation Safety and Capacity Expansion Act of 1990 provides that preference be given to steel and manufactured products produced in the United States when funds are expended pursuant to a grant issued under the Airport Improvement Program.

FOR THE COMMONWEALTH PORTS AUTHORITY

JOSE R. LIFOIFOI
Board Chairman/Contracting Officer

Date: July 8, 2011

FRIDAY, AUGUST 19, 2011 **25** SAIPAN TRIBUNE



Commonwealth Utilities Corporation

Office of the Executive Director



REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS CUC-RFP-11-048

GEOTHERMAL ENERGY DEVELOPMENT ON SAIPAN, CNMI

The Office of the Executive Director, Commonwealth Utilities Corporation (CUC) is soliciting competitive sealed proposals from qualified and experienced firms to explore for and develop geothermal energy on Saipan, Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, for the purpose of generating electricity. Proximity to the active Mariana volcanic arc, extensional faulting, and the occurrence of shallow water wells with anomalous temperatures suggest that sufficient geothermal resources may exist beneath Saipan to support generation of electricity using binary plant technology.

Proposer must submit a development plan including: (1) a timeline and milestones for resource assessment, exploration drilling, resource development and plant construction, and delivery of electricity to the grid; and (2) a pricing schedule for electricity delivered to the grid. The successful Proposer must have demonstrated capability and provide equipment and materials necessary to (1) assess geothermal potential and identify targets for exploratory drilling, (2) perform exploration- and production-hole drilling, and (3) construct and operate geothermal power plants.

The RFP package and Scope-of-Work will be e-mailed to all interested Offerors, upon receipt of a non-refundable payment to the CUC Treasury Section, by cash or check, in the amount of \$ 200.00 for one set; by the CUC, Procurement & Supply Office, 3rd Floor, Room 4, Joeten Dandan Commercial Building, Dandan, Saipan, between 7:30 AM to 11:30 AM and 12:30 PM to 4:00 PM, Monday through Friday, except on government observed holidays.

A Pre-proposal Conference will be held on August 17, 2011 at 10:00 AM (ChST), at the CUC Main Conference Room, 3rd Floor, Joeten Dandan Commercial Building, Dandan, Saipan, Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.

One (1) original and Six (6) copies must be submitted in a sealed envelope marked "CUC-RFP-11-048, Geothermal Energy Development on Saipan, CNMI" to CUC Procurement & Supply Division, 3rd Floor, Room No.4, Joeten Dandan Commercial Building, P.O.Box 501220, Dandan, Saipan MP 96950, no later than September 2014 and COMMERCE COMMERCE. ber 6, 2011 at 10:00 AM (ChST). A copy of the entire submission is also required to be sent by email in PDF format, to Mr. Manuel B. Sablan, Jr. Purchasing Officer via email address msablan@cucgov.net and Janina Muna, Procurement & Supply Administrative Assistant via email address mika_muna@cucgov.net or alternately include a CD with each copy of the submission. Proposals mailed via postal or courier service must be received on or before due date and time or post-marked before due date and time. Late submissions and conditional offers will

All inquiries must be submitted in writing no later than **August 22, 2011 at 10:00 AM (ChST)** to Mr. Manuel B. Sablan, Jr. CUC Purchasing Officer via email address msablan@cucgov.net; Mr. Wallon Young, CUC Deputy Director, Power Generation/Distribution, via email address wallon59@yahoo.com and Ms. Janina Muna, Procurement & Supply Administrative Assistant via email address mika_muna@cucgov.net. CUC will respond to questions and clarifications of prospective offerors who have registered with the CUC Procure ment & Supply Division for the solicitation.

This Request for Proposal does not commit CUC to the award of a contract or contracts, nor to pay any cost incurred in the preparation and submission of proposals in anticipation of a contract. Selection procedure shall be in full compliance with CUC Procurement Regulations. The contractor shall be required to comply with all CNMI and applicable Federal Laws. CUC reserves the right to reject any or all proposals and waive any imperfection in the Request for Proposal in the best interest of the government. All proposals shall become the property of CUC.

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Office of the Executive Director



INVITATION FOR BIDS CUC-IFB-11-049

INSTALLATION OF SEWER SERVICE LINES

The Office of the Executive Director, Commonwealth Utilities Corporation (CUC) is soliciting competitive sealed bids from qualified firms for the installation of Sewer Service Lines in Saipan, Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands

The project consists in general of the installation of sewer service lines to existing CUC sewer mains. When CUC customers are approved for sewer service, the contractor will obtain the required permits and connect them to the existing sewer mains. The work will include the sewer service line, sewer saddles, asphalt repairs, septic tank abandonment. CUC requires the Project to be completed in 365 calendar days from date of award of contract or when the funds are exhausted.

The Bid Package and Scope-of-Work may be picked-up, upon receipt of a deposit from the CUC Treasury Section, by cash, check, in the amount of \$ 100.00 (nonrefundable) for one set; at the CUC, Procurement & Supply Office, 3rd Floor, Room 4, Joeten Dandan Commercial Building, Dandan, Saipan, between 7:30 AM to 11:30 AM and 12:30 PM to 4:00 PM, Monday through Friday, except on

A Pre-Bid Conference will be held on August 16, 2011 at 10:00 AM (ChST) at the CUC Main Conference Room, 3rd Floor, Room

One (1) original and Seven (7) copies must be submitted in a sealed envelope marked "CUC-IFB-11-049, Installation of Sewer Service Lines" to the CUC Procurement & Supply Office, 3rd Floor, Room No. 4, Joeten Dandan Commercial Building, P.O. Box 501220, Saipan, MP 96950, no later than 10:00 ÁM (ChST) on September 1, 2011, at which time they will be publicly opened and read aloud. Bids mailed via postal or courier service must be received on or before due date and time or post-marked before due date and time. Late submissions and conditional bids will not be considered. Bid shall be submitted on the provided Bid Forms. Bidders are required to complete all Bid Forms. Bidders may supplement this form as appropriate. Bids will be required to be submitted under a condition of irrevocability for a period of 60 days after submission.

 $All \ bidders \ are \ advised \ that \ CUC \ assumes \ no \ responsibility \ in \ any \ act \ of \ omission \ on \ the \ part \ of \ the \ bidders \ due \ to \ lack \ of \ information \ on \ the \ part \ of \ the \ bidders \ due \ to \ lack \ of \ information \ on \ the \ part \ of \ the \ bidders \ due \ to \ lack \ of \ information \ on \ the \ part \ of \ the \ bidders \ due \ to \ lack \ of \ information \ on \ the \ part \ of \ the \ bidders \ due \ to \ lack \ of \ information \ on \ the \ part \ of \ the \ bidders \ due \ to \ lack \ of \ information \ on \ the \ part \ of \ the \ bidders \ due \ to \ lack \ of \ information \ on \ the \ part \ of \ the \ bidders \ due \ to \ lack \ of \ information \ on \ the \ part \ of \ the \ bidders \ due \ to \ lack \ of \ information \ on \ the \ part \ of \ the \ bidders \ due \ to \ lack \ of \ information \ on \ the \ part \ of \ the \ bidders \ due \ to \ lack \ of \ information \ on \ the \ part \ of \ the \ bidders \ due \ to \ lack \ of \ information \ on \ the \ part \ of \ the \ bidders \ due \ to \ lack \ of \ information \ on \ the \ part \ of \ the \ bidders \ due \ to \ lack \ of \ information \ on \ the \ part \ of \ the \ bidders \ due \ to \ lack \ of \ information \ on \ the \ lack \ of \ information \ on \ the \ lack \ of \ la$ tion or understanding of the bid requirements in the course of Contractor's preparation of a bid under the contract

A Bid Guarantee of 15 percent of the total bid price must accompany the bids. The security deposit may be in cash, certified check, cashier's check, or bid bond executed by a surety company holding a certificate of authority from the United States Secretary of Treasury as an acceptable surety or other surety acceptable to the Attorney General. A Performance Bond of one hundred (100%) percent of the total proposal price will be required upon the execution of the contract by the successful bidders Surety company must be authorized to do business in the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands or otherwise secured in a manner satisfactory to CUC. A Payment Bond of one *hundred (100%)* percent of the total proposal price will be required upon the execution of the contract by the successful bidders. Surety Company must be authorized to do business in the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands or otherwise secured in a manner satisfactory to CUC, for the protection of all persons supplying labor and material to the contractor or its subcontractors for the performance of the work provided for in the contract.

All insurers questions, concerns and qualification should be handled by the Department of Commerce Office of the Insurance Commissioner (OIC). The OIC is tasked with regulating and monitoring compliance to the CNMI's Insurance Code (Title 4, Division 7). Bidders are required to submit a clearance from the OIC certifying their insurer of choice is in compliance with the CNMI's Insurance Code. Please refer to other bidding requirements described in Document 00200 - Instructions to Bidders.

Bidders are required to comply with all CNMI and applicable Federal Laws. This bid and the ensuing contract shall be executed pursuant to the CUC Procurement Regulations.

All questions or request for clarification regarding this project must be submitted in writing no later than 10:00 AM (ChST) on August 19, 2011 to Mr. Manny B. Sablan, Jr., CUC Purchasing Officer, via email - msablan@cucgov.net, Commander, Kenneth Esplin-Water/Wastewater Engineer via email kenneth_esplin@cucgov.net and Ms. Janina Mika Muna, Procurement & Supply,

CUC reserves the right to reject any or all bids and waive any imperfection in the bid proposal in the best interest of the government. All bids shall become the property of CUC.

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Commonwealth Utilities Corporation

Office of the Executive Director



INVITATION FOR BIDS **CUC-IFB-11-050**

REHABILITATION OF SEWER LIFT STATION NO. S-3

The Office of the Executive Director, Commonwealth Utilities Corporation (CUC) is soliciting competitive sealed bids from qualified firms for the rehabilitation and upgrade of Sewer Lift Station in Saipan, Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.

The project consists, in general of the rehabilitation and upgrade of Sewer Lift Station No. 3 located in Lower Base, Saipan. The work shall be done not to disrupt the daily operation of the sewer discharge. The work is inclusive of rehabilitation of the wet well, replacement of pumps, guide rails, control panel cleanup of the basins, repair, replacement, rehabilitation of pipeline, pes, reconditioning of generator, asphalt paving, etc. CUC requires the Project to be completed in <u>180 calendar days</u> from

The Bid Package and Scope-of-Work may be picked-up, upon receipt of a deposit from the CUC Treasury Section, by cash, check, in the amount of \$ 100.00 for one set; at the CUC, Procurement & Supply Office, 3rd Floor, Room 4, Joeten Dandan Commercial Building, Dandan, Saipan, between 7:30 AM to 11:30 AM and 12:30 PM to 4:00 PM, Monday through Friday, except on government observed holidays

A Pre-Bid Conference followed by a Site Visit will be held on <u>August 19, 2011 at 1:00 PM (ChST)</u> at the CUC Main Conference Room, 3rd Floor, Room No.10, Joeten Dandan Commercial Building.

One (1) original and Seven (7) copies must be submitted in a sealed envelope marked "CUC-IFB-11-049, Rehabilitation of Sewer Lift Station No. S-3" to the CUC Procurement & Supply Office, 3rd Floor, Room No. 4, Joeten Dandan Commercial Building, P.O. Box 501220, Saipan, MP 96950, no later than 10:00 AM (ChST) on September 12, 2011, at which time they will be publicly opened and read aloud. Bids mailed via postal or courier service must be received on or before due date and time or post-marked before due date and time. Late submissions and conditional bids will not be considered. Bid shall be submitted on the provided Bid Forms. Bidders are required to complete all Bid Forms. Bidders may supplement this form as appropriate. Bids will be required to be submitted under a condition of irrevocability for a period of 30 days after submission.

All bidders are advised that CUC assumes no responsibility in any act of omission on the part of the bidders due to lack of information or understanding of the bid requirements in the course of Contractor's preparation of a bid under the contract.

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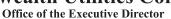
All questions or request for clarification regarding this project must be submitted in writing no later than 10:00 AM (ChST) on August 24, 2011 to Mr. Manny B. Sablan, Jr., CUC Purchasing Officer, via email - msablan@cucgov.net with a copy to Commander, Kenneth Esplin, Water/Wastewater Engineer via email kenneth_esplin@cucgov.net and Ms. Janina Mika Muna, Procurement & Supply, Administrative Support Assistant - mika_muna@cucgov.net.

CUC reserves the right to reject any or all bids and waive any imperfection in the bid proposal in the best interest of the government. All bids shall become the property of CUC.

ABE UTU MALAE Executive Director



Commonwealth Utilities Corporation





REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS CUC-RFP-11-055

Lease of Office/Warehouse Space for Power Division, Saipan, CNMI

The Office of the Executive Director, Commonwealth Utilities Corporation (CUC), is soliciting competitive sealed proposals from firms for the lease of office/warehouse spaces for CUC Power Division, Transmission & Distribution Section in Saipan, Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.

The proposed office space may be situated within or adjacent to the warehouse. The office/warehouse must have a loading dock and parking stalls that can accommodate over-sized heavy equipment (e. g. bucket trucks, augers and backhoes). Additionally, the proposed office space must conform to American Disabilities Act (ADA), OSHA and CNMI Zoning requirements.

The RFP Packet and Specification may be picked-up, upon receipt of a non-refundable payment from the CUC Treasury Section by cash, check or credit card, in the amount of \$100.00 for one set; at the CUC, Procurement & Supply Office, 3rd Floor, Room No. 4, Joeten Dandan Commercial Building, Dandan, Saipan, between 7:30 AM to 11:30 AM and 12:30 PM to 4:00 PM, Monday through Friday, except on government observed holidays.

A Pre-proposal Conference will be held on <u>September 9, 2011 at 1:00 PM (ChST)</u>, at the CUC Main Conference Room, 3rd Floor, Joeten Dandan Commercial Building, Dandan, Saipan, Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands

One (1) original and Six (6) copies must be submitted in a sealed envelope marked "CUC-RFP-11-055, Lease of Office/Warehouse Space, Power Division-T&D" to CUC Procurement & Supply Division, 3rd Floor, Room No. 4, Joeten Dandan Commercial Building, P.O. Box 501220, Saipan, MP 96950, no later than 10:00 AM, (ChST) local time on September 20, 2011. Late submission will not be considered.

Selection procedure shall be in full compliance with CUC Procurement Regulations. CUC reserves the right to reject any or all proposals and waive any imperfection in the bid proposal in the best interest of the government. All proposals shall become the property of CUC.

All inquires must be submitted in writing no later than 10:00 AM (ChST) local time on September 12, 2011 to Manuel B. Sablan, CUC Purchasing Officer via email msablan@cucgov.net; Mr. Charles Warren, CUC Chief Financial Officer via email charles_warren@cucgov.net and Ms. Janina Muna, CUC Procurement & Supply Administrative Assistant via email mika muna@cucqov.net. CUC will respond to questions and clarifications, only to prospective offerors who have registered with the CUC Procurement & Supply Division for the solicitation.

> **ABE UTU MALAE Executive Director**

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Science & Technology

Sony cuts price of PlayStation 3 by \$50 to \$249 | How to rein in an iPad

is cutting the price of its PlayStation 3 gaming console by \$50 in an attempt to drum up demand for the 5-year-old machine.

It is now \$249, down 17 percent from \$299. The last time Sony lowered the price of the PlayStation 3 was in 2009, when it launched a lighter, slimmer model of the video game system.

The worldwide price cut announced Tuesday comes less than a month after rival Nintendo Co. cut the price of its handheld Nintendo 3DS player.

The 3DS lets players view 3-D games and videos without special glasses. It launched with much fanfare but lost sales momentum. The value of 3-D hasn't been apparent to everyone. Handheld gaming devices are also facing competition from the iPhone and other smartphones with games such as the wildly popular "Angry Birds."

The latest price cut should give the PlayStation 3 a boost, just as the previous one did in 2009.

"It is no secret that the Play-Station 3 has been struggling for some time against the Microsoft Xbox 360 in North America," though it did slightly better in Europe, said Jesse Divnich, an

analyst at Electronic Entertainment Design and Research.

Divnich does not believe Microsoft Corp. will follow with its own price cut immediately. Rather, the maker of the Xbox 360 "will likely wait to see the commercial impact of the price disparity" between the Xbox and the PlayStation. The Xbox 360's popular 250 gigabyte version costs \$300. A version with a smaller hard drive, 4 gigabytes, is \$200.

Microsoft said it does not talk about pricing plans in advance and so far it has made no announcements about price cuts.

In all, Microsoft has sold 55

million Xbox 360s worldwide, and Sony has sold 52 million units of the PS3. Nintendo is still No. 1 with 86 million, though sales of the console have slowed down considerably.

Sony is also launching its handheld PlayStation Vita in the U.S. early next year. It will cost \$249 for a Wi-Fi only version and \$299 for a version that will also have cellphone service.

Jack Tretton, the CEO of Sony Computer Entertainment America, said Sony is cutting the price in August instead of closer to the holidays to get it to people during the back-toschool shopping season.

that hogs the email

STAR TRIBUNE (MINNEAPOLIS)

QUESTION: I just bought an Apple iPad tablet and connected it to my home Wi-Fi network, which already had two Windows PCs on it. But when the iPad is using the wireless network, we can't receive any email on the other computers. What's the cure?—Jerry Leith, Eau Claire, Wis.

ANSWER: Rein in your iPad, which is trying to monopolize your email account, and, as a result, is locking out your two PCs.

Why? The iPad is set up to use your email account continuously, or at

account often in order to update your list of received mail.

least to access the email

But, if your email account uses a common technology called "POP3" (Post Office Protocol version 3), only one your three computers can access the account at a time. Because the iPad gets to the email first, the two PCs don't stand a chance.

There are three solutions to this lockout problem.

Close the iPad's mail application when you aren't using it. This ends its connection to your email account and gives the PCs a chance to access the account.

If your iPad isn't constantly connected to email, another alternative is to change its settings so that it checks your email less frequently. You can do this by going to the iPad's "Settings," then to "Mail," "Contacts," "Calendars," and

then to "Fetch New Data."

The last and most obvious solution is to disconnect the iPad from the Wi-Fi network when you want to use one of the PCs to get your email. (Since you're accessing your e-mail via Wi-Fi, I'm assuming your iPad doesn't have a cellular connection to access mail from outside the Wi-Fi network.)

Q: My laptop PC recently became infected with the **Google Redirect Virus. This** happened even though I have **Norton security software**

installed. How do I get rid of the virus?-Jim Kennedy, Hugo, Minn.

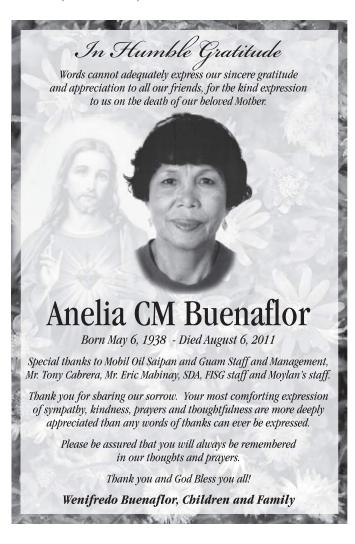
A: Fortunately, it's rather easy to get rid of the Google Redirect Virus, which takes people to malicious

websites when they click on legitimate search results. Security firm Symantec provides a free downloadable virus removal tool; see http://tinyurl. com/2dmtozz.

And you really do want to get rid of this virus, because in addition to redirecting you to wrong websites, it hides itself from antivirus software, displays advertisements and opens an electronic doorway that allows other malicious software to enter your PC.

The virus, sometimes called "Backdoor.Tidserv" by computer security professionals, apparently was intended to make money for its creators by generating traffic for certain websites, collecting data about you for marketers and trying to sell you worthless software.





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Life & Style

New book claims Coco Chanel was Nazi spy

By JENNY BARCHFIELD AP FASHION WRITER

PARIS (AP)—Coco Chanel: A fashion icon whose name has become shorthand for timeless French chic, a shrewd businesswoman who overcame a childhood of poverty to build a luxury supernova and...a Nazi spy?

A new book by a Paris-based American historian suggests Chanel not only had a wartime affair with a German aristocrat and spy, but that she herself was also an agent of Germany's Abwehr military intelligence organization and a rabid anti-Semite.

Doubts about Chanel's loyalties during World War II have long festered, but "Sleeping with the Enemy: Coco Chanel's Secret War" goes well beyond those previous allegations, citing as evidence documents culled from archives around the world.

The book, published in the U.S. on Tuesday by Knopf, has ruffled feathers in France, where the luxury industry is a pillar of the economy and Chanel is widely regarded as the crowning jewel.

The House of Chanel was quick to react, saying in a statement that "more than 57 books have been written about Gabrielle Chanel. ... We would encourage you to consult some of the more serious ones."

Hal Vaughan, an 84-year-old World War II veteran and longtime journalist who previously



This undated photo shows French fashion designer Gabrielle "Coco" Chanel, a fashion icon whose name has become shorthand for timeless French chic, at an undisclosed location.

wrote two other history books, insists that he is serious. "Sleeping with the Enemy" is the fruit of more than four years of intense labor born out of an accidental find in France's national police archive, he said.

"I was looking for something else and I come across this document saying 'Chanel is a Nazi agent, her number is blah, blah, blah and her pseudonym is Westminster,"" Vaughan told The Associated Press. "I look at this again and I say, 'What the hell is this?' I couldn't believe my eyes!

"Then I really started hunting through all of the archives, in the United States, in London, in Berlin and in Rome and I come across not one, but 20, 30, 40 absolutely solid archival materials on Chanel and her lover, Baron Hans Gunther von Dincklage, who was a professional Abwehr spy," Vaughan said.

Born in 1883 in a hospice for the poor in France's western Pays de la Loire region, Gabrielle Chanel had remade herself into the famed couturiere

holed up with von Dincklage—a dashing German officer 12 years her junior who was one in her long string of lovers-in Paris' Ritz Hotel, which was then under Nazi control. The book alleges that in 1940,

Chanel by the outbreak of World

War II. During the conflict, she

Chanel was recruited into the Abwehr-her nom de guerre borrowed from another of her lovers, the Duke of Westminster. A year later, she traveled to Spain on a spy mission—on condition that the Nazis release her nephew from a military internment camp—and later went to Berlin on the orders of a top

and proudly independent Coco SS general, the book says.

> It also suggests that Chanel's alleged anti-Semitism pushed her to try to capitalize on laws allowing for the expropriation of Jewish property to wrest control of the Chanel perfume lines from the Wertheimer brothers, a Jewish family who'd helped make her Chanel No. 5 a worldwide best-seller.

The Chanel statement refuted the claim, although it added that company officials have yet to read the book and had only seen media excerpts.

"She would hardly have formed a relationship with the family"—which currently owns the entire Chanel brand empire—"or counted Jewish people among her close friends and professional partners," it says.

A US-based organization of Holocaust survivors said it was "shocked" by the book's allegations and called on Chanel to launch an independent investigation into the book's claims.

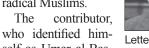
"The documents on Ms. Chanel's past are too serious and historically important to be cavalierly dismissed by the fashion house without any effort to confirm their veracity through objective research," said Elan Steinberg, vice-president of the American Gathering of Jewish Holocaust Survivors and their Descendants.

Threat to David Letterman on Muslim forum

NEW YORK (AP)—A frequent contributor to a jihadist website has threatened David Letterman, urging Muslim followers to "cut the tongue" of the late-night host because of a joke the comic made on his CBS show

The Site Monitoring Service, a private intelligence organization that watches online activity,

said Wednesday that the threat was posted a day earlier on the Shumuka al-Islam forum, a popular Internet destination for radical Muslims.



self as Umar al-Basrawi, was reacting to what he said Letterman did after the U.S. military announced on June 5 that a drone strike in Pakistan had killed al-Qaida leader Ilyas Kashmiri.

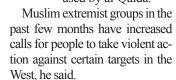
Al-Basrawi wrote that Letterman had made reference to both Osama bin Laden and Kashmiri and said that Letterman had "put his hand on his neck and demonstrated the way of slaughter."

"Is there not among you a Sayyid Nosair al-Mairi ... to cut the tongue of this lowly Jew and shut it forever?" Al-Basrawi

wrote, referring to El Sayyid Nosair, who was convicted of the 1990 killing of Jewish Defense League founder Meir Kahane. Letterman is not Jewish.

Al-Basrawi, which is likely to be an alias, has made some 1,200 postings to the Muslim website, said Adam Raisman, an analyst for the Site Monitoring Service. The private firm, part of the Site

Intelligence Group, provides information to government and commercial clients on what jihadists are saying on the Internet and traditional media. Raisman said the online forum is often used by al-Qaida.



"The concern is that there is someone who will read it, agree with it and say, 'I want to be the Sayyid Nosair of 2011 and kill David Letterman," Raisman said.

The FBI is also looking into the threat, said Jim Margolin, spokesman for the bureau's New York office. "We take every potential threat seriously," he said.

Neither CBS nor a Letterman spokesman, Tom Keaney, would comment on the threat. CBS would not make available a transcript of Letterman's monologue on the killing of Kashmiri.

Letterman has been the target of criminal threats in the past. A former CBS News producer was jailed for trying to extort \$2 million from Letterman in 2009 by threatening to expose the host's sexual dalliances with members of his staff. A former painter at Letterman's ranch in Montana was jailed following a 2005 plot to kidnap the TV funnyman's nanny and son.

A radical Muslim group last vear warned the creators of "South Park" that they could face violent retribution for depicting the prophet Muhammad in a bear suit on the Comedy Central cartoon. Author Salman Rushdie spent years in hiding after Iranian leader Avatollah Ruhollah Khomeini urged he be killed for blasphemy after writing the book "The Satanic Verses."

Filmmaker Theo van Gogh was killed on an Amsterdam street in 2004 by a Dutch Muslim angered by his film "Submission," a fictional study of abused Muslim women.

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Bigger apartment may not be better with a roommate

By ABIGAIL VAN BUREN

DEAR ABBY: My fiancee and I are living in a studio apartment owned by her mother. We're currently looking for another place to live, and can't decide whether or not to get a two-bedroom and a roommate.



cons of living with other people, and I have a potential roommate

hensive because I had a roommate once before and it wasn't a great experience. We're still friends, but I would never live with him again.

We're trying to get out soon. I don't want to make the wrong decision and lose either a friend or a future wife because of money, hurt feelings or anything else. Please advise.

MIKE IN FLORIDA

DEAR MIKE: Living together, as you have probably already learned, requires adjustment on the part of all of the parties concerned. While you trust this friend to be a responsible roommate, what if something unforeseeable were to happen and the person should have to unexpectedly move out? Would he or she be on the lease with you? Could you pay the rent without the help of another roommate? How would you manage if the roommate were to have a live-in, too?

Because of these questions, it might be better to take a place with one bedroom to avoid possible complications.

DEAR ABBY: Is it appropriate to send anniversary flowers to a widow? My husband's grandfather just passed away, and this will be his grandmother's first wedding anniversary as a widow.

Etiquette guides conflict in their advice regarding sending anniversary cards and flowers to widows. Would flowers be inappropriate? If not, what should the delivery card say?

SENTIMENTAL IN KELLER, TEXAS

DEAR SENTIMENTAL: Sending flowers would be a kind and thoughtful gesture. The card could read, "You're in our thoughts and in our hearts. With love ..." because this will be anything BUT a happy anniversary. If you live near your husband's grandmother, offer to invite her over or take her out to dinner so she won't be alone.

DEAR ABBY: I'm a 21-year-old guy who needs to know how to properly introduce myself to a lady. My first instinct is to shake her hand—that's how I introduce myself to guys. I'm always uneasy shaking a girl's hand because I am not sure if it is appropriate. If I am seated, I will stand to introduce myself, but then there's an awkward pause afterward. Please advise.

A PROPER GENTLEMAN

DEAR GENTLEMAN: According to the rules of etiquette, it's the woman who dictates whether or not to shake hands. If she extends her hand, you should shake it. If not, keep your hands at your sides-smile, tell her your name and say, "It's nice to meet you." That's all you have to do.

DEAR ABBY: I live in a nice, quiet neighborhood. A few months ago, however, a young woman who lived across the street from me was brutally stabbed to death by her jealous boyfriend. After a few months of getting the rental home cleaned up, there are new people moving in. Should I make sure they're aware of what happened or should I keep quiet?

CONCERNED IN MISSOURI

DEAR CONCERNED: Exactly what are you concerned about—that the boyfriend will come back and stab the new renters? They should have already been informed about the history of the place by the person renting the property. But if they weren't, I see little to be gained by your being the bearer of those bad tidings.

Dear Abby is written by Abigail Van Buren, also known as Jeanne Phillips, and was founded by her mother, Pauline Phillips. Write Dear Abby at www.DearAbby.com or P.O. Box 69440, Los Angeles, CA 90069.

Abercrombie asks 'The Situation' to shop elsewhere

NEW YORK (AP)—The Situation doesn't usually require a lot of motivation to lose the shirt. But Abercrombie & Fitch wants him to go one furtherthe company has offered to pay "Jersey Shore" cast members to stop wearing clothes carrying their brand.

The preppy teen retailer said Tuesday it would pay a "substantial payment" to Mike "The Situation" Sorrentino or any cast member who stops wearing its clothing on the popular MTV reality show because the series is "contrary to the aspirational nature of the brand."

"We are deeply concerned that Mr. Sorrentino's association with our brand could cause significant damage to our image," the retailer said in a press release.

It may seem strange that a brand that employs half-naked models to stand outside its flagship stores and courted controversy with racy catalogs has come out with such an aggressive campaign against the hard partying cast of "Jersey Shore." But the audacious approach is getting the teen retailer tons of publicity during the crucial back-to-school season, the second biggest shopping period of the year. The CEO says it's having fun with the ploy, and marketing experts say the company may wind up laughing all the way to the bank.

"It gets their name further out into the marketplace with one of the hottest brands on TV right now at the peak of the back-toschool season," said Wall Street Strategies analyst Brian Sozzi. "It's free marketing. Because the approach is so ridiculous, everybody's talking about it."

Brands usually embrace celebrities or performers who adopt their products in an unsolicited, organic way because of all the attention it can drum up. But sometimes they can have an uneasy relationship.

When hip hop stars unofficially adopted luxury champagne Cristal as their drink of choice several years ago, for example, the relationship seemed cozy at first. But after a com-



In this Nov. 17, 2010 photo, Mike "The Situation" Sorrentino poses at GQ magazine's 2010 "Men of the Year" party in Los Angeles.

pany executive made derogatory comments about hip hop culture, high profile rappers like Jay-Z boycotted it.

Still, unexpected adaptation can be beneficial. When an urban audience adopted ultrapreppy Tommy Hilfiger clothes, the brand ended up expanding

massively. And now Tommy Hilfiger's son even is a rapper.

The cast of "Jersey Shore" don't exactly consist of the kind of role models most brands covet. Now filming its fifth season, the show has won millions of viewers who tune in to watch a group of hard-partying, foulmouthed 20- and 30-somethings hanging out, hooking up and behaving raucously. Mike "The Situation" Sorrentino is one of the most popular, and outrageous, cast members, boasting of a "gym-tan-laundry" routine and lifting his shirt to show off his abs at every opportunity.

Katy Perry ties Jackson record on Billboard

NEW YORK (AP)—When Katy Perry first came on the scene, some dismissed her as a onehit wonder. Three years later, she's proven she's a multihit wonder, becoming the first woman



Perry

to score five No. 1 songs from one album on the Billboard Hot 100 chart. Her "Last Friday

Night (T.G.I.F.)" set the precedent: It's the latest No. 1 from her platinum album

Only Michael Jackson had five No. 1s from one album before Perry, from "Bad."

But Jackson spent a total of seven weeks at the top with his "Bad" songs; Perry has been at the top perch now for a cumulative 18 weeks.

Perry's first major hit was the "Teenage Dream." song "I Kissed a Girl" in 2008.

It's official: Jennifer Lopez returning to 'Idol'

NEW YORK (AP)—If there was ever any doubt, it's gone now. Jennifer Lopez will be back at the judge's panel for the 11th season of "American

The Fox network has made Lopez's return official, along with her fellow judges, Aerosmith rocker Steven Tyler and record producer Randy Jackson. In addition, Fox said

Wednesday that Ryan Seacrest was dispelled last week by will be back as host.

Any lingering skepticism

Singer-actress Lopez debuted as a judge this past season. But in recent weeks, she had publicly been coy about whether she would stay with the hit musical competition.

Lopez

"Idol" executive producer

Nigel Lythgoe. He declared, unofficially, that Lopez would be back while interviewed on Seacrest's radio program.

"American Idol" begins its new season Jan. 22.

ENTERTAINMENT TIDBITS

The Beatles back UK anti-piracy music campaign

LONDON (AP)—The Beatles are up for the fight against pirates. The estate of iconic British band has pledged its support for the anti-piracy campaign Music Matters by sanctioning a special animated short film set to their recordings. The Beatles' songs provide the soundtrack for the film's central character, who uses music to mark the milestones in his life. The film-which is available online—aims to encourage people not to fileshare music so artists can get paid for their work. The U.K. campaign has already been endorsed by artists such as Blind Willie Johnson, The

Kate Bush, Elbow and Paloma Faith. In March it was extended to New Zealand and Australia.

Morgan Freeman to star in play reading on Broadway

NEW YORK (AP)—Anthony Edwards, Morgan Freeman, Cheyenne Jackson, Christine Lahti, Rob Reiner, Yeardley Smith and Marisa Tomei will appear in a one-nightonly reading on Broadway of a play about Proposition 8. On Wednesday, producers announced some of the cast members who will perform in Dustin Lance Black's play "8" as part of a fundraiser at the Eugene O'Neill Theatre on Sept. 19.

Jam, Nick Cave, Sigur Ros, Proposition 8 is the measure ap- for the video, she enlisted the the state. A federal judge struck down the law last year. That ruling is being appealed. The play, which is based on the trial transcript and interviews, will be directed by Tony Awardwinning actor and director Joe Mantello. Black won the Oscar for "Milk," his biopic of gayrights pioneer Harvey Milk.

McBride taps famous cancer survivors for video

NEW YORK (AP)—Martina McBride's new single, "I'm Gonna Love You Through It," is an inspirational song about going through cancer, and

proved by California voters in help of a few famous faces to 2008 that bans gay marriage in convey the message. "Good Morning America" anchor Robin Roberts, singer Sheryl Crow, ABC's Katie Couric and "Today" anchor Hoda Kotb all appear in the clip, which debuts Wednesday on CMT.com. Roberts, Crow and Kotb are all survivors of breast cancer; Couric's husband died of colon cancer. McBride, who has never had cancer, says she wanted to sing the song to give hope and positive messages to those going through the struggle. She says it "takes a lot of strength and a lot of love to get through something like that." The song is from her new album, "Eleven," due out Oct. 11.

Pastimes

Calvin and Hobbes

By Bill Waterson

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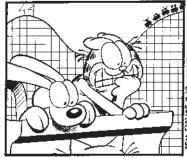
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By Bryan Basset

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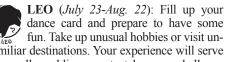
Happy Birthday: Re-evaluate and make your move. Changing your mind, your location or your direction can be masterfully executed this year if you set your sights on your goals and you don't look back. All the holdups of the past can be overcome if you show your determination to succeed. You will have plenty of onlookers cheering you along. Your numbers are 5, 9, 21, 26, 33, 37, 42.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Getting along with your peers will be half your battle, but once you fit in, you will make headway. Talk to colleagues, bosses or influential people who can help you advance. A creative original suggestion will result in a positive turning point.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Your feelings will be easily hurt and your reactions misconstrued. Don't overreact because someone else is being an idiot. A thoughtless remark handled wisely can give you an edge in the future. Patience can buy you valuable time. 🛇 😂

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Paying attention to money, home and family will be necessary to avoid a misunderstanding. Don't feel you have to lend assistance to everyone who asks for it. Your ability to handle whatever comes your way will help you maintain your status quo.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Don't do something for the wrong reason. Uncertainty regarding your position and status is likely. Your motives will be questioned, and a sudden change due to your response will be hard to reverse. 🛇



familiar destinations. Your experience will serve you well, enabling you to take on a challenge that has the potential to bring about an interesting proposal. OOOOO

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Live and learn. The more actively you pursue your dreams, the better. Your effort will

help you catch the attention of someone who can help you achieve your goals. A trip will pay off if you are aggressive regarding your motives for traveling the distance to obtain firsthand knowledge. 🛇 🗘 🔾

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): You can help

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): You may are present, but greater pressure and force will have to be applied. There is no room for error, and being able to react fast will be the key to your

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21):

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Fill up your

fun. Take up unusual hobbies or visit un-

all you want, but don't let anyone take advantage of your kindness or generosity. Offering suggestions will bring better results than doling out cash or doing the work for someone. A change in the dynamics of an important relationship may be necessary. •••

be questioning your future and the way you are moving forward. Opportunities success.

Take advantage of any opportunity to interact with individuals who have as much to offer as you do. A contract or money

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matter can be completed successfully if you are willing to compromise.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Go over your personal papers carefully. It is likely you will have to make some minor adjustments if you don't want to suffer a loss. Make whomever you deal with come to you, not vice versa. 00000

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): A fast talker is likely to fool you. If something sounds too good to be true, back away. It is best to keep those pressuring you guessing. Overindulgeing and underestimating will be your downfall. 🛇 🔾

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Look back at your experience and you will handle whatever comes your way more effectively. An emotional connection to someone you used to know will surface, causing doubt regarding vour current situation. Your inner voice will not lead you astray, but someone else might. ���� Birthday Baby: You are intuitive, inventive, abrupt, intense and unrelenting.

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Conceptis Sudoku

By Dave Green

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By DAVID WONDERWORD **OUELLET**

HOW TO PLAY: All the words listed below appear in the puzzle — horizontally, vertically, diagonally, even hackward. Find them and CIRCLE THEIR LETTERS ONLY, DO NOT CIRCLE THE WORD. The leftover letters will the Wordshard

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IN RE THE MATTER OF THE PETITION TO APPOINT)	FCD GU CIVII ACTION
GENERAL GUARDIANSHIP)	NO. 11-0362
FOR:)	-
SHANNON RAE TUDELA)	
SASAMOTO)	
)	NOTICE OF
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FELIX A. SASAMOTO and)	
SOLEDAD B. SASAMOTO)	
Petitioners)	
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PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that a Petition to Appoint Guardian for the above-named minor child by Felix and Soledad Sasamoto Petitioners, was filed with the above-entitled Honorable Court and is open for review at the office of the Clerk of the said Court in Susupe Saipan, Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.

A HEARING of said petition for Guardianship will be held at the above-entitled Honorable Court at Guma Hustisia Building Susupe, Saipan, NMI before the Honorable Perry B. Inos, Associate Judge on the 8th day of September, 2011 at 10:00am or as soon as

Bernadita A. Sablan

/s/ Deputy Clerk of Court

& Victor T. Tonga P.O. Box 501143 Saipan, MP 96950

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Notice is here by given that the above-entitled matter is set for a hearing on August 30, 2011, at 9:00 a.m. in Courtroom 217A before Associate Judge Perry B

Dated this 3rd day of August,

Bernadita Sablan Clerk of Court /s/ Deputy Clerk of Court

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JVA No. 11-046 for Welder

Opening Date: 8/9/11 Closing Date: Until Filled JVA No. 11-043 for Electrician JVA No. 11-044 for Mechanic

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LOCATION: Saipan, Northern Mariana Islands, USA.

SALARY: \$17,282.00 to \$25,059.00 per annum

CONTRACT: Not Contracted.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS: High School Diploma, or G.E.D. and four years of related experience; Knowledge of: Principles and procedures of service area assigned; Inspection and troubleshooting principles; Preventative maintenance principles; Inventory control principles; Basic mathematics. Skills in: Preparing cost and material estimates; Performing preventative maintenance; Performing journey level maintenance and installations in service area; Performing site inspections and recognizing problem areas; Communication, interpersonal skills as applied to interaction with coworkers, supervisor, the general public, etc. sufficient to exchange or convey information and to receive work direction. APPLICANTS MAY BE TESTED.

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LOCATION: Saipan, Northern Mariana Islands, USA

POSITIONS: At least one per JVA.

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JVA No. 11-039 for Power Generation Division

JVA No. 11-040 for Power Division (Transmission and Distribution)

JVA No. 11-041 for Water Division

JVA No. 11-042 for Wastewater Division

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CONTRACT: Not Contracted

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Closing Date: Until Filled

Job Vacancy Announcement

Opening Date: August 9, 2011

MECHANIC At Power Plant: JVA No. 11-037 ELECTRICIAN At Power Plant: JVA No. 11-038

SENIOR SPECIALIST

DUTIES: Under the overall supervision of the deputy director or his/her designee, the incumbent's duties and responsibilities are as follows. May serve as a crew leader to include assigning and monitoring work and providing technical direction. Preparse training information and materials for an assigned technical training program for trades staff. Performs journey level operations, installations and/or repairs in service area assigned. Inspects equipment and determines if any repairs are needed. Performs preventative maintenance in service area assigned. Maintains level of supplies and equipment. Operates the control room by monitoring fuel consumption and synchronizing feeders; Serves as an auxiliary operator by monitoring lubrication oil, fuel, water and air temperatures and taking readings; Takes readings to ensure temperatures, pressure and tank levels are in normal range; Starts engines; Monitors loads on feeders and generators; Takes midnight readings; Incinerates waste oil; Performs startup operations; Performs minor and major repairs and overshauls on equipment; Reconditions equipment; Fabricates parts; Calibrates equipment, instruments and performs adjustments; Performs SCADA system maintenance; Maintains a clean and orderly workplace. Performs other duties of a similar nature or level. SUBJECT TO PRE-EMPLOYMENT DRUG SCREENING.

LOCATION: ROTA, Northern Mariana Islands, USA.

POSITIONS: Minimum of one position per JVA.

CONTRACT: Not Contracted.

 $\$30,\!000$ to $\$45,\!000$ per annum; un-classified; un-graded. Plus relocation costs to Rota is negotiable if hired from outside of Rota.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS: High School Diploma, or G.E.D., and three years of journey-level experience at the level of a Trades Technician, or comparable level experience related to the area assigned. Completion of an apprenticeship program or vocational school program or having a recognized license in the field of work is preferred. Knowledge of: Principles and procedures of service area assigned; Inspection and troubleshooting principles; Preventative maintenance principles; Inventory control principles. Basic mathematics. Still in: Mentoring and teaching staff. Monitoring and assigning work to staff; Preparing cost and materials estimates; Performing preventative maintenance; Performing journey level maintenance and installations in service area; Performing site inspections and recognizing problem areas; Communication, interpersonal skills as applied to interaction with coworkers, supervisor, the general public, erc. sufficient to exchange or convey information and to receive work direction. Must have a valid U.S. driver's license and be able to get a CNMI driver's license upon hire. APPLICANTS MAY BE TESTED.

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LOCATION: SAIPAN, Northern Mariana Islands, USA.

POSITIONS: Minimum of two positions per JVA

CONTRACT: Not Contracted

\$30,000 to \$45,000 per annum; un-classified; un-graded. Plus relocation costs to Saipan is negotiable if hired from outside the Northern Mariana Islands.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS: High School Diploma, or G.E.D., and three years of journey-level experience at the level of a Trades Technician, or comparable level experience related to the area assigned. Completion of an apprenticeship program or vocational school program or having a recognized license in the field of work is preferred. Knowledge of: Principles and procedures of service area assigned: Inspection and troubleshooting principles: Preventative maintenance principles Inventory control principles. Basic mathematics. Skill In: Mentoring and teaching staff. Monitoring Inventory control principles. Basic mathematics. <u>Skill in:</u> Mentoring and teaching staff. Monitoring and assigning work to staff; Preparing cost and materials estimates; Performing preventative maintenance; Performing journey level maintenance and installations in service area; Performing its inspections and recognizing problem areas; Communication, interpersonal skills as applied to interaction with coworkers, supervisor, the general public, etc. sufficient to exchange or convey information and to receive work direction. Must have a valid U.S. driver's license and be able to get a CNMI driver's license upon hire. APPLICANTS MAY BE TESTED.

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Job Vacancy No. 11-048

Opening Date: Wednesday 8/10/11 Closing Date: Until Filled

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LOCATION: Saipan, Northern Mariana Islands, USA

POSITION: One

\$47,939 to \$67,115 per annum; Un-graded; Un-classified. Plus relocation costs if hired from outside the Northern Mariana Islands that may be negotiated.

CONTRACT: Two-year.

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Lee steers Phillies past Diamondbacks



PHILADELPHIA (AP)—Philadelphia's Cliff Lee threw seven

impressive innings to guide the Phillies to a 9-2 win over Arizona in Wednesday's clash of National League divisional leaders, ending the Diamondbacks winning streak at seven games.

Lee (13-7) allowed three hits, striking out seven.

Jimmy Rollins hit a leadoff homer and Wilson Valdez hit a tiebreaking two-run double in the seventh for the Phillies.

Diamondbacks starter Joe Saunders (8-10) pitched well before unraveling in the seventh. He gave up five runs in six-plus innings as Arizona saw its NL West lead sliced to 2-1/2 games.

Giants 7, Braves 5

In Atlanta, San Francisco barely avoided another loss to Atlanta, getting the victory on the Braves' final at-bat.

The Giants broke it open with four runs in the fourth, one of them driven in by picher Matt Cain (10-9) on a sacrifice fly. But Cain did his best work on the mound, striking out nine and giving up only one unearned run in the first.

After Cain left, the Braves scored four runs in the ninth and had the tying run at the plate. But Brian McCann struck out swinging against Jeremy Affeldt.

San Francisco pounded Jair Jurrjens (12-5), taking advantage of a pitcher who wasn't sharp in his first start coming off the disabled list. He surrendered five runs in six innings.

Brewers 3, Dodgers 1

In Milwaukee, Zack Greinke won his fifth straight start, helping Milwaukee beat Los Angeles and notch its 19th victory in 21 games.

The NL Central-leading Brewers remained seven games ahead of St. Louis in the NL Central.

Jerry Hairston's two-out single in the sixth helped Greinke (12-4) become the first Brewers pitcher in franchise history to win his first nine home decisions with the club.

Dodgers rookie Nathan Eovaldi (1-1) was the loser.

Cardinals 7, Pirates 2

In Pittsburgh, Allen Craig homered twice to break out of a slump and lead St. Louis over Pittsburgh.

Craig went 4 for 5 with three RBIs and Yadier Molina added three hits for the Cardinals.

Craig was hitless in his last 11 atbats before he connected for a tworun homer against Paul Maholm (6-14) in the first. He added a solo shot in the seventh.

St. Louis starter Kyle Lohse (11-7) picked up his 99th career victory by pitching seven solid innings, allowing two runs, striking out seven and walking one.

Reds 2, Nationals 1

In Washington, Johnny Cueto pitched into the ninth inning to guide Cincinnati to a narrow win over Washington.

Cueto (9-5) held the Nationals scoreless until the ninth. He struck out five and did not walk a batter.

Joey Votto homered and Ramon Hernandez drove in a run for the Reds on a groundout.

Nationals starter Ross Detwiler (1-3) pitched six innings, his longest outing



Philadelphia Phillies starting pitcher Cliff Lee unleashes a pitch during the first inning of a baseball game against the Arizona Diamondbacks, Wednesday, Aug. 17, 2011, in Philadelphia.

of the season, allowing one run.

Mets 7, Padres 3

In San Diego, New York sealed its first series win in San Diego for nine years.

David Wright hit a three-run homer off Mat Latos (6-12) in the third inning. He also turned a tricky play at third base that resulted in the final out of the third to thwart a San Diego rally. Angel Pagan had three RBIs for the Mets.

New York rookie Dillon Gee (11-4) limited the Padres to one run over 6 2-3 innings. He also made a sparkling fielding play in the third inning that resulted in an inning-ending double play.

Rockies 12, Marlins 5

In Denver, Aaron Cook pitched effectively into the eighth inning as Colorado overpowered Florida.

Carlos Gonzalez hit a three-run homer and a run-scoring single while Chris Iannetta also drove in four runs with a double and a single.

Marlins starter Ricky Nolasco (9-9) went three innings, matching his second-shortest outing of the season, and allowed a career-worst 11 runs. That was the most runs ever allowed by a Marlins starter in team history.

Cook (3-7) had received only four runs of support in his previous four outings, but there was no such problem on this night. He was staked to a 5-0 lead in the first and saw the Rockies add another six runs in the third inning.

Astros 4, Cubs 3

In Houston, the hosts took the series between the two worst teams in the NL.

Matt Downs hit a go-ahead two-run single, and Brian Bogusevic had a two-run double for the Astros.

Bud Norris (6-8) allowed three runs in his first win in seven weeks, and Mark Melancon wriggled out of a jam in the ninth inning for the save.

Cubs starter Casey Coleman (2-5) was recalled from the minors to fill in for the injured Carlos Zambrano, and allowed a career-worst 10 hits.

Rays 4, Red Sox O

In Boston, David Price pitched eight scoreless innings to guide Tampa Bay to a 4-0 win over the Boston Red Sox, keeping a pulse in the Rays' faint playoff hones

Price (11-10) struck out six as the Rays held Boston to three hits for the third straight game.

B.J. Upton hit a leadoff homer in the fourth inning and Evan Longoria added a two-out solo homer in the fifth.

Boston starter John Lackey (11-9) allowed four runs in 6 2-3 innings to take the loss as the Red Sox missed a chance to move back ahead of New York in the AL East race.

Rangers 4, Angels 3

In Anaheim, Texas opened a commanding seven-game lead over Los Angeles atop the AL West standings by beating the Rangers for the third straight game.

Ian Kinsler hit a tiebreaking tworun single with two outs in the eighth inning, after Mitch Moreland had homered and Josh Hamilton hit a runscoring single for the Rangers, who have six consecutive wins to open a 10-game road trip.

C.J. Wilson (12-5) yielded five hits over seven innings for the Rangers, who moved a season-best 20 games over .500 for the first time since 1999 by seizing control of this key fourgame series.

The Angels have lost five straight.

Royals 5, Yankees 4

In Kansas City, the hosts survived a nerve-wracking ninth inning to hang on and beat New York.

The Yankees loaded the bases with one out in the ninth and made it 5-4 on Robinson Cano's sacrifice fly. After a passed ball, Joakim Soria reloaded the bases with another walk. Then Jorge Posada, on his 40th birthday, took a called third strike to end it. The wobbly Soria got his 22nd save in 29 opportunities.

Earlier, Alex Gordon hit a three-run home run, Billy Butler added a contested solo shot to give the Royals an early lead.

Kansas City starter Bruce Chen (8-5) went six innings. His three wins have been the Royals only victories over the past 13 games.

Indians 4, White Sox 1

In Chicago, Cleveland beat Chicago to stay in second place in the AL Central.

Fausto Carmona pitched 8 1-3 impressive innings, while Shin-soo Choo had three hits and an RBI while Carlos Santana singled, doubled and scored a run.

White Sox starter Mark Buehrle (10-6) allowed a season-worst 12 hits over 7 1-3 innings.

Twins 6, Tigers 5

In Detroit, Justin Morneau's bases-loaded single in the ninth inning lifted Minnesota over first-placed Detroit.

With the game tied 4-4, Rene Tosoni led off the top of the ninth with a single off Jose Valverde (2-4). Tsuyoshi Nishioka and Ben Revere both reached base when the Tigers misplayed sacrifice bunts.

Valverde struck out two batters, but Morneau hit a ball up the middle to make it 6-4.

Joe Nathan allowed a run in the bottom of the inning but still picked up his 11th save. He is 33 for 33 over his career in save opportunities against Detroit.

Twins reliever Matt Capps (4-6) got the win after finishing the eighth inning.

Blue Jays 5, Mariners 1

In Seattle, Brandon Morrow allowed just one run over six innings to direct Toronto's win over his old team Seattle.

Morrow (9-7), who didn't allow a hit until there were two outs in the fourth, struck out a season-high 12. It's the fourth time this season he has fanned 10 or more.

This marked the first time Morrow had faced his former team in Seattle since joining the Blue Jays before the 2010 season.

Athletics 6, Orioles 5

In Oakland, a throw by David DeJesus reached the plate just in time to get Baltimore pinch-runner Blake Davis and end the game, giving Oakland the narrowest of wins over the Orioles.

DeJesus misfielded Nick Markakis' single but recovered to make a strong throw to Kurt Suzuki, who tagged Davis. It also preserved Andrew Bailey save after he gave up three hits in the ninth.

Suzuki also hit two solo homers; the second multihomer game of his career. He connected in the second and sixth against Alfredo Simon (3-6). Brandon Allen tripled and scored on the same play and also had a sacrifice fly for the A's.Oakland starter Brandon McCarthy (6-6) allowed four runs in six-plus innings.

Ex-NBA ref kills self on day wife's body found



NEW ORLEANS (AP)—A former NBA referee shot and killed himself in a suburban New Orleans hotel room on the same day his wife was found strangled at their

Houston-area home last week, authorities said Wednesday.

A law-enforcement official in

Montgomery County, Texas, said Troy Raymond, 46, was a "person of interest" in the death of his wife, Leslie Anderson Raymond, whose body was discovered last Thursday at their home in Spring.

Troy Raymond's body was discovered at a hotel in Jefferson Parish. The coroner's office said he shot himself in the head.

Tim Holifield, a Montgomery County constable, said that Raymond hasn't been named a suspect in his 41-year-old wife's killing and it's premature to connect their deaths.

"At this point, to call him anything other than a person of interest post-

mortem would be unfair and improper," Holifield said.

Raymond was an NBA referee during the 2003-04 season and more recently has refereed college basketball games, including for the Sun Belt Conference.

Holifield said a relative of Leslie Anderson Raymond found her body Thursday afternoon and called for help. Investigators were still at the home when they learned from the Jefferson Parish Sheriff's Office that Troy Raymond's body had been found at a Westwego hotel that afternoon after a housekeeper heard a gunshot.

Troy Raymond's sister, Aqucinette Matthews, told Jefferson Parish investigators that her brother was having "marital problems" and had said he "needed to split up" with his wife, according to a sheriff's department report.

Holifield said investigators were seeking cell phone records that may help "fill in a lot of gaps" in the probe.

"We have no witnesses," he said.

NCAA is 5 months into Miami investigation



C O R A L GABLES, Fla. (AP)— With investi-

gators five months into checking allegations that a Ponzi scheme artist spent freely on University of Miami athletes, the NCAA president said Wednesday that if the claims are confirmed they show the need for "fundamental change" in college sports.

Former Hurricanes booster Nevin Shapiro, now serving 20 years in federal prison, claims he provided players with cash, prostitutes, cars and other gifts from 2002 to 2010. Shapiro told Yahoo Sports that 72 football players and other athletes at Miami received improper benefits from him in the past decade.

"If the assertions are true, the alleged conduct at the University of Miami is an illustration of the need for serious and fundamental change in many critical aspects of college sports," NCAA president Mark Emmert said in a statement.

The Hurricanes' entire football team practiced Wednesday, even though Shapiro's claims involve several current players. Coach Al Golden said it was too soon to take disciplinary action. His team opens the season Sept. 5 against Maryland.

Last week, Emmert led a group of university presidents in drafting an outline for change in college sports. The group included Miami president Donna Shalala.

"The serious threats to the integrity of college sports are one of the key reasons why I called together more than 50 presidents and chancellors last week to drive substantive changes to Division I intercollegiate athletics," Emmert said in his statement.

In the past 18 months, the football teams at Southern California, Ohio State, Auburn, Oregon, Michigan, North Carolina, Georgia Tech and LSU each have been investigated or sanctioned by the NCAA.

Shalala said she was upset, disheartened and saddened by Shapiro's allegations.

"We will vigorously pursue the truth, wherever that path may lead, and I have insisted upon complete, honest and transparent cooperation with the NCAA from our staff and students," Shalala said in a statement.

Most cases are resolved in six to seven months, but more complex investigations take longer, an NCAA official said.

Shapiro was sentenced to prison in June for masterminding a \$930 million Ponzi scheme, plus ordered to pay more than \$82 million in restitution to investors. He gave 100 hours of jailhouse interviews to Yahoo Sports, the website reported.

NCAA investigators were on the Miami campus this week and have interviewed Shalala and Shawn Eichorst, who was hired as athletic director in April to replace Kirby Hocutt. Golden, who is in his first year as Miami's coach after Randy Shannon was fired, said he's eager to obtain answers quickly, in part so his players don't repeat past mistakes.

"If they were exposed to Mr. Shapiro, clearly we have to make sure we prevent that going forward," Golden said. "How did this guy, if he did, get around our players like that? ... We want to make sure it never happens again. It shouldn't happen."

Yahoo Sports published its story Tuesday, saying in addition to the Shapiro interviews conducted over 11 months, it audited thousands of pages of financial and business records to examine his claims, some involving events nearly a decade ago. The NCAA's four-year statute of limitations doesn't apply when there is a pattern of willful violations that continues into the past four years.

A person familiar with the situation said much of Shapiro's access to Hurricane programs in recent years was approved by Hocutt, who is now at Texas Tech. The person spoke to The Associated Press on condition of anonymity because of the ongoing investigation.

Hocutt, the person said, allowed Shapiro on the sideline before football games at times during the 2008 season, plus invited

him to select gatherings reserved for the athletic department's biggest donors.

"That's what Kirby did," the person said. "His No. 1 job was to raise money and this Nevin Shapiro guy was one of the few people Kirby could get to write checks."

In a statement, Hocutt said Shapiro was treated like other members of the Hurricane Club.

"While I was athletics director, the benefits and experiences Mr. Shapiro received were consistent with those provided to others at his membership level," Hocutt said. "I never personally approved any special access for Mr. Shapiro to university athletics events or programs."

Larry Coker, who coached the Hurricanes in 2001-06, said he had not been contacted by the NCAA or Miami about the investigation. Any coach or athletic direction involved in the case who now works at another school could be subject to NCAA punishment if found guilty of a violation.

The AP interviewed more than a dozen former Hurricanes, and their reactions ranged from denials of involvement to declining comment. New York Giants safety Antrel Rolle declined to discuss the allegations but said Shapiro is mad about being in prison and directing his emotions at the Hurricanes.

Couples says Woods needs to play to make team

HARRISON, N.Y. (AP)—U.S. captain Fred Couples wants Tiger Woods on the Presidents Cup team, provided Woods plays tournaments before he shows up at the Australian Open a week before the matches.

Woods missed the cut at the PGA Championship—only his second tournament in four months—and failed to qualify for the FedEx Cup playoffs. That makes him ineligible for any PGA Tour event until the first week of October. Couples is to make his two captain's picks on Sept. 26, the day after the Tour Championship.

"He can't just show up the week before in Australia," Couples said Wednesday at the Senior Players Championship. "I have made it clear that whoever I picked will be playing

the Australian tournament the week before. But I need him to play more than just there. There's quite a few tournaments after the Tour Championship."

Woods already has a contract to play in the Australian Open in Sydney. The Presidents Cup is the week after, on Nov. 17-20, at Royal Melbourne. Woods has played every Presidents Cup since he first became eligible for them in 1998.

Couples and Woods are longtime friends, and when Couples agreed to return as captain, he

jokingly sent Woods a text message telling him to play well so the captain wouldn't have to

waste a pick on him.

Turns out it was no joke. Because of injuries to his left leg, Woods went from the Masters on April 10 to the Bridgestone Invitational on Aug. 7 without completing a

tournament. Then came the final major, where he missed the cut by six shots and finished out of the top 100 for the first time in a major.

"I really want him on the team based on my opinion that he's been the best player for 10 straight years," Couples said. "I don't think you can push him down because he's not playing maybe as well as 20 other guys that could be picked. A couple of times I've been picked for a Presidents Cup or a Ryder Cup, and sometimes that's just the way it falls."



8th Division, Lyn's BBQ stay alive in Blue Haus



A Bracket's 8th Division and C Bracket's Lyn's BBQ notched wins against

their respective opponents in last Tuesday's Blue Haus Invitational Basketball League matchups at the Gualo Rai Court.

8th Division defeated Aldrin, 89-75, in the first pairing before Lyn's BBQ took over and mopped the floor with Marianas Water, 76-61, after a competitive opening quarter.

Right out of the gate in the first match, 8th Division jumped out to a 26-7 lead thanks largely to 15 points by frontman Dan

Aldrin's offense showed up in the second quarter, but 8th Division obliged the former and maintained a healthy 47-29 margin at the half.

Mateo added eight markers to go with mixed bench support

seconds, followed by Swe-

den's Jesper Akesson (29.44

seconds), Lithuania's Simas

Jarasunas (30.01), Switzer-

land's Killian Bossard (30.10

seconds), Hong Kong's Ho-

chum Yan (30.40 seconds),

Wong, Macau's Mankit Chao

(32.31 seconds), and Peru's

Enriquez Angel Chavez

recorded the fastest time in

the qualifying heat of the 50m

Brazil's Junior Joao Gomez

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8th Division's Joseph Pena blocks the shot of a Wings Travel player in last night's Blue Haus Invitational Basketball League matchup held at the Gualo Rai Basketball court.

in the second quarter. Aldrin's Martin Moreno led his team with nine points in the first half.

Aldrin chipped away at its deficit in the third quarter, but still trailed by double digits, 50-62, heading into the final period.

8th Division ran away with it in the end as Mateo and team-

breaststroke event at 27.60

seconds to advance to the fi-

nals with five other swimmers.

terday was Wong's sixth and

last event in Shenzhen and his

first appearance in the World

University Games resulted in

His two other records came

in the 50m butterfly last Mon-

day and the 100m breaststroke

last Tuesday. In the 50m but-

terfly, Wong clocked in at

26.66 seconds, eclipsing the

27.87 seconds Kai Stall logged

on April 16, 2011. Then in the

100m breaststroke, Wong sub-

three new CNMI marks.

The 50m breaststroke yes-

mate Joseph Pena combined for 51 points by the final buzzer. Mateo finished with 36, while Ryan Laniyo led Alrdin with 19.

Lyn's BBQ built an early 19-12 lead in Tuesday's second game as Manolo Manalo and Dexter Tenorio combined for 11 markers in the first quarter.

Abuan 6, Valiente 5, Detera 3, mitted 1:07.66 seconds, surpassing the 1:08.79 he made

World Championships in Italy. The CNMI swimmer joined three other races—the 200m breaststroke (2:27.17), 100m butterfly (1:00.24), and the 200m individual medley (2:13.65)—and missed the Commonwealth national marks.

on July 26, 2009, during the

Wong and biker Matthew Mancao were the first ones to represent the CNMI in the International University Sports Federation-sanctioned event, which started on Aug. 11 and will conclude on Aug. 23.

Mancao was entered in the 158.6-kilometer road race, but did not finish the event due to an earlier crash.

hooked up for 12 more points in the second period. How-

ever, Marianas Water battled

back to within a basket, 35-37,

A couple of 3-pointers and an

8-point string from Dennis Pa-

checo helped Marianas Water

mount a comeback in the sec-

After the break Lyn's BBQ

answered with a big push in the

third quarter and shot ahead, 58-

45, heading into the final period.

to just a pair of early long

balls for 10 total points in the

third quarter and Lyn's BBQ

kept the game out of reach at

Lyn's BBQ's Manalo led all

scorers with 21 points, while

Marianas Water's Marlon Ca-

8th Division 89 – Mateo 36,

Pena 15, Brana 12, Camacho 6,

brera turned in 13 in defeat.

Marianas Water was stuffed

at halftime.

ond frame.

crunch time

First Game

After eight days of competition, host China leads the medal standings with its 20-10-14 gold-silver-bronze medal tally, followed by Russia (19-14-16), Japan (15-15-22), South Korea (12-14-12), and the U.S. (9-12-5). Rounding out the Top 10 are Ukraine (5-7-4), Lithuania (4-3-2), New Zealand (4-3-2), France (3-6-12), and Italy (3-3-6). More than 60 countries are competing in the 13-day event.

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(33.93 seconds).

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Wai Long Cheng, Dickson Hung, Yuen Wong Chun, Yin Ho Chung, Yin Chiu, Sin Ying and Cheuk Ying So, Wing Tung Yip, and Noi Lam, Wai Ning, and Yee Ching Wong.

Host Tsunami Saipan has the most entries with 28. Competing for coach Hiro Kimura's squad are Shigeki Tenorio, Kensuke Kimura, Patrick Reyes, Kaisei, Kosei, and Ryosei Toda, Sugie Takumi, David Yang, Min Seok and Heung Joo Yoo, Kaito, Ryuto, and Hiroto Yanai, Yuuki Nishida, Mark Maestro, Lukas Kang, Toa Pangelinan, Juhn Tenorio, Towa and Karen Irinaka, Angel Tan, Angel De Jesus, Julie Conner, Quina Flores, Miku Tammy, Cindy Yang, Jenisha Dubrall, and Riyana Camacho.

Completing the three-club meet is the Saipan Swim Club, which have 12 swimmers for the weekend event. Kento Akimaru leads the list, which also includes Michael and Michail Villagomez, Ichiro and Taka Borja, Noaki Kasai, Lennosuke and Jinnosuke Suzuki, Jebez Sebastian, Louis Henly and Taiyo Akimaru.

Tomorrow's meet will be a 20-meter short course event with swimmers racing sideways in the 50-meter Kan Pacific Swimming Pool.

"20m is very short for Tsunami swimmers. However, it becomes a good training for them because the accuracy of a detailed technique is needed. Every race will be close so a small mistake leads to defeat. Swimmers from Hong Kong

like this short course meet," Hiro Kimura said.

The meet will start at 9am with swimmers allowed to warm up, beginning at 8am. The morning session of the tournament is for heats in the 20m breaststroke, 20m backstroke, 20m butterfly, and 200m freestyle, 20mX4 free style relay, and 40mX4 medley relay races. There will also be preliminary races in the 40m freestyle, 40m breaststroke, 45m backstroke, 40m butterfly, and 80m individual medley.

The 20m races are co-ed, while a separate competition for male and female swimmers will be held in the 40m swims. Then in the afternoon session, the Top 5 finishers in the qualifying races for the 40m swims will compete in A Finals, while the sixth to 10th placers will join the B

Finals. Separate 40m challenge swims will also take place in the afternoon for participants who will miss the Top 10.

For the relays, each club is allowed to field a mixed team in the 20mX4 freestyle relay, while the 40mX40m medley relay for male swimmers has two divisions, A and B and only one for the female category.

Tsunami Saipan will award trophies to the three outstanding swimmers in the competition, while medals and ribbons will be given to the Top finishers in and A and B Finals, respectively.

Meanwhile, the host would like to thank the following for supporting the goodwill meet: Kan Pacific Co. Ltd., Century Tours, American Red Cross, DFS, PIC, Aqua Resort Club, Tasi Tours, AZUMA, MOC, and Saipan Advertising.

quarter comeback.

Kagman was the smaller

glona 11, Mettao 6, Teregeyo 6, Lanivo 4, Dawe 2.

Rollers 2 41 – DL Guerrero 12, Sacramento 10, Marahan 5,

25-19, 34-28, 42-41.

The Lyn's BBQ duo then Jacob 3, Roxas 2.

Aldrin 75 – Laniyo 19, Isip 13, Moreno 13, Mejia 11, Ong 11, Griffin 4, Marangan 4.

Scoring by quarters: 26-7, 47-29, 62-50, 89-75.

Second Game

Lyn's BBQ 76 – Manalo 21,

8, Calvo 7, Cayanan 7, Bernard 4, Vergara 4.

Marianas Water 61 -Cabrera 13, Conti 11, Pacheco 11, Lontoc 11, Darag 11, An-

Scoring by quarters: 19-12, 37-35, 58-45, 76-61.

SBA August roll-offs this weekend



Three crowns will be at stake this weekend when Saipan Bowling Asso-

ciation holds its August roll-offs at the Saipan Bowling Center in San Jose.

In the Budweiser King and Queen of the Lanes, male and female adult bowlers will battle for the August plum for two days. Saturday's roll-off will begin at 6pm, while Sunday's will start at 3:30pm. Keglers can bowl on either days or both, but only the higher score will be counted.

Entry fee is \$15 and only the first 60 bowlers to register will be allowed to compete.

Cash prizes for the King of the Lanes will depend on the number of entries, while the Queen of the Lanes will only give cash prizes provided at least 10 female keglers will join the tournament.

In the Fiji Water Prince/ Princess of the Lanes, the competition will be played only on Sunday. Entry fee is only \$10 and youth bowler must also pay the \$10 membership fee to qualify for the monthly tournaments. Membership fee for adults is \$15.

To register, please contact Gigi or Ross Zapanta at 288-5627 or via email at zapanta@pticom.com. (Roselyn B. Monroyo)

CLARIFICATION

Inquiries to the X-clusive Golf Association are to be referred to Jay Cabrera at 287-9478, instead of club president Dave Cepeda directly. The wrong contact information was mistakenly printed in Tuesday's issue of the Saipan Tribune.

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Team (3-4-0)

MEN'S Red Inter 6, IT&E 2

Red Inter won the first men's match of the night, thumping IT&E, 6-2.

Dale Roberts and Arkie Reusora anchored Red Inter's fourth win in seven games, logging two goals apiece. David Duenas and Matt Holley had one goal each for the winning team.

Jin Han Yoon and Kirk Schuler were the only two players who scored for IT&E, which absorbed its sixth loss in a row.

Go Green 6, **Mellow Yellow 2**

Go Green closed out its firstround campaign with a 6-3 triumph over Mellow Yellow.

Go Green improved to a 3-2-2 mark for a share of third place with Docomo, while Mellow Yellow remained at the bottom four of the eight-team field with its dismal 1-6-0 slate (seventh place).

Ruselle Zapanta had a hattrick for Go Green, while Panapa Peteru, Semisi, and Jack Phan chipped in one goal each. Suriya Mongkhonat and Woo Ho Jin posted one apiece for Mellow Yellow.

TRIBUNE SPORTS SCORES

MLB STANDINGS

AMERICAN LEAGUE East Division

W L Pct GB New York 74 47 .612 -74 48 .607 66 56 .541 8 1/2 Toronto 63 60 .512 12 47 74 .388 27 Baltimore

Central Division 65 58 .528 -Detroit 61 58 513 2 Cleveland 61 61 .500 3 1/2 Chicago

Minnesota Kansas City 51 73 .411 14 1/2 West Division

Texas

72 52 .581 -Los Angeles 65 59 .524 7 Oakland 55 68 .447 16 1/2 53 69 .434 18 Seattle

NATIONAL LEAGUE East Division

Atlanta 72 52 .581 8 1/2 New York 60 63 .488 20 Washington 58 63 .479 21 57 66 .463 23

Central Division

73 51 .589 **–** 66 58 .532 7 St. Louis .488 12 1/2 58 64 .475 14 54 70 .435 19 Pittsburgh Chicago Houston

West Division

Arizona 69 54 .561 -San Francisco 67 57 .540 2 1/2 Colorado 58 67 .464 12 Los Angeles 55 70 .440 15

Yesterday's Games Houston 4, Chicago Cubs 3

N.Y. Mets 7, San Diego 3 Philadelphia 9, Arizona 2 Cincinnati 2, Washington 1 St. Louis 7, Pittsburgh 2 San Francisco 7, Atlanta 5 Milwaukee 3, L.A. Dodgers 1 Colorado 12, Florida 5 Tampa Bay 4, Boston 0 Oakland 6, Baltimore 5 Minnesota 6, Detroit 5 Cleveland 4, Chicago White Sox 1 Kansas City 5, N.Y. Yankees 4 Texas 4, L.A. Angels 3

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Toronto 5, Seattle 1

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gi Iglesias scored four points apiece as their team managed a slim 10-8 lead in the opening period, but Kagman rallied in the second quarter and jumped in front, 25-19, at halftime.

Kagman's Michael Manglona and Jimmy Brel teamed up for 12 points in the second

Both teams traded baskets in the third quarter as Kagman maintained a three-possession margin, 34-28, heading into the final stanza.

team in the matchup, but its speeders actually sniffed out more rebounds than the bigger Rollers squad throughout the game, which in turn allowed them to cash in on a lot of fastbreak opportunities.

Kagman's Brel led all scorers with 13 points, while Rollers' DL Guerrero turned in a teamhigh 12 on the short end.

The Rotary U19 season continues today at the TSL Sports Complex as the unbeaten and defending champion O'Aces look to make it two in a row

against Rollers 1 at 5pm followed at 6pm with the Sonics against NMC Proa.

Kagman 42 - Brel 13, Man-

Metran 5, Iglesias 4, Vertudez 2. Scoring by quarters: 8-10,

FIBA 33 Three-On-Three Basketball Tournament

PHOTOS By WALTER CEPEDA SUTHERLAND



A Hyper-Rise player drives to the hoop against Shorties in their U12 division game in last Saturday's FIBA 33 Three-On-Three Basketball Tournament at the Garapan Basketball Court



A Hyper-Rise player goes up for lefty one-handed layup against Shorties in their U12 division game



A Big 3 player drives to the hoop in their U17 game against the Sonics.



A Fast And Tough player streaks to the basket in their U12 game against Hyper-Fuse.



Shorties' Kenji Abobo pump fakes a Hyper-Rise player in their U12 matchup.



Sonics' Jaymark De Guzman pops up for a mid-range jump shot in their U17 game against Big 3.



Shorties' C.J. Morales secures a rebound in their U12 game against



Shorties' Kenji Abobo looks for an open shot in their U12 game against



Two U12 players get tangled up for a jump ball.

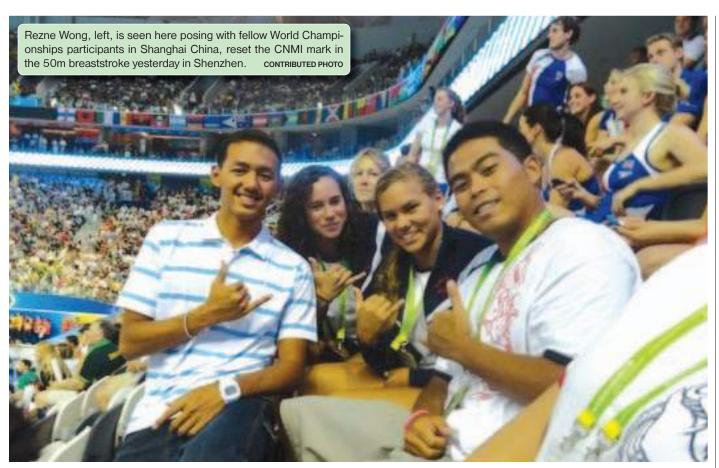






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Rezne resets 50m breaststroke record



By ROSELYN B. MONROYO

NMI swimmer Rezne Wong completed his stint in the 2011 Summer Universiade in style after resetting the Commonwealth national record in the 50m breaststroke event. posted the previous CNMI na-



The 20-yearold swimmer finished 50m breast-

stroke at the Natatorium of Universiade Center in Shenzhen, China, yesterday in 31.31 seconds, breaking his personal best and CNMI mark (31.62 seconds). Wong

tional mark on July 28, 2009, during the 13th FINA World Championships in Rome, Italy.

Wong joined Heat 4 of the qualifying race and placed sixth out of the eight swimmers in the group. Switzerland's Yannick Kaser won the heat with a time of 29.32

Shirley's B wins battle of sister teams

By ROSELYN B. MONROYO



Shirley's B showed no love lost to sister team Shirley's A, as the former

pulled off a 5-4 victory in their women's division game in the 2011 Saipan Soccer School Futsal League on Tuesday night at the TSL Sports Complex.

Alexa Vergara and Marriele Gariguez scored two goals apiece for Shirley's B, while Jeralyn Castillo added one to improve their team's win-lossdraw record to 6-1-0. The victory also put Shirley's B back into the lead in the eight-team field, sharing the top spot with Shirley's A.

Shirley's A absorbed its first loss in the double-round robin competition after falling short in the second half. It tallied only two goals, both came from Irish Pagarao, against Shirley's B's three. Pagarao tallied one more goal in the second, while Jeraldine Castillo also lit up



the scoreboard for Shirley's A in the final 25 minutes of play. Shirley's B matched Shirley's A's output in the second half and kept the win when Vergara scored her second goal and Jeralyn Castillo also found the back of the net.

IT&E Awesome 3. Red Team 2

In the other women's game, IT&E Awesome edged Red Team, 3-2.

IT&E Awesome hit all its goals in the second half to bounce back from a 0-1 halftime deficit and steal the win.

Zoe Jewell gave Red Team the lead with her goal in the first half. In the second half, Michelle Masga and Fedora Camacho scored for IT&E to grab the lead, 2-1, and Connie Camacho added one more for the cushion, 3-1. Two minutes before the game concluded Jewell drilled her second goal.

IT&E Awesome now has a 5-2-0 slate for second place, two notches ahead of Red

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HK-Saipan meet draws 56 swimmers



SAIPAN TRIBUNE

Kensuke Kimura, seen here competing in a local meet early this year, is among the 28 Tsunami Saipan swimmers joining tomorrow's 2011 Hong Kong-Saipan Goodwill Meet at the Kan Pacific Swim-

By ROSELYN B. MONROYO

Fifty-six swimmers will be plunging into the pool tomorrow when Tsu-

nami Saipan Swimming Center Man, Billy, and Gary Chan, hosts the 2011 Hong Kong-Saipan Goodwill Meet at the

Kan Pacific Swimming Pool.

The visiting Hong Kong Sword Fish Swim Club will field 16 swimmers for the oneday competi-

inami tion. The list includes Ho

Ka Fat Yim, Yiu Lam Szeto, See HK-SAIPAN on Page 34

Kagman holds off Rollers 2, 42-41

By WALTER CEPEDA SUTHERLAND



Kagman overcame a late scare in the final minute of their Saipan Rotary

Club Youth Basketball League U19 season debut against Rollers Basketball Club's Rollers 2, taking the match, 42-41, last

Wednesday at the TSL Sports Complex in Gualo Rai.

The Rollers fought from behind all game and briefly took its first lead of the match, 39-38, with just 40 seconds left in regulation, but Kagman recovered soon after and secured the victory with its full court press.

At the game start, the Rollers' Rainier DL Guerrero and Loui-

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Kagman's Jon Laniyo takes it to the hoop against Rollers 2 in their U19 Rotary caging matchup last Wednesday at the TSL Sports Complex in